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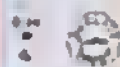
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The
BARKER
and
HIS ACES
BEAT
A KING!



The image is a dense collage of vintage comic book covers, primarily from the mid-20th century. The covers are arranged in a grid-like fashion, overlapping slightly. Titles visible include "Supermouse", "Jetta", "Mystery Comics", "Fantastic Tales", "Cosmo Cat", "Startling Comics", "Strange Mysteries", "Daring Adventures", "Famous Funnies", "Hilarious Raucous", "Teen-Age Sweetheart", "Duck", "Eerie", "Exciting Comics", "Casper Cat", and "Barnyard Comics". The art style is characteristic of classic American comics, with bold colors and dynamic illustrations. Overlaid on top of this collage is a large, dark purple speech bubble with a thick black outline. Inside the bubble, the text "WEB COMIC UNIVERSE.COM" is written in a large, white, stylized font with a slight shadow effect, making it stand out prominently against the colorful background.

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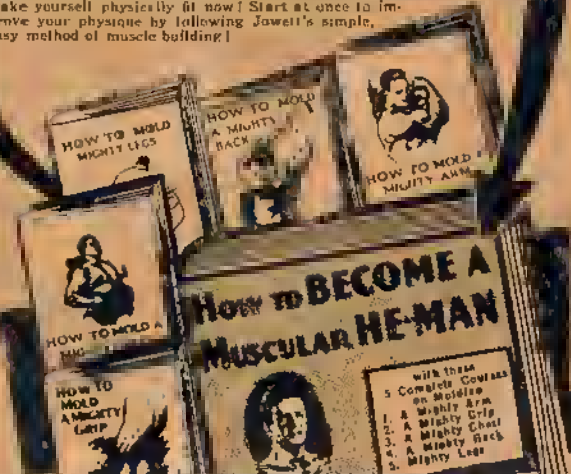
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The BARKER

YES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, HE SEES ALL, KNOWS ALL, TELLS ALL! HE'S KING LOOEY, EXILED MONARCH OF NUMFORIA, WHOSE ENEMIES DETHRONED HIM BECAUSE HE KNEW TOO MUCH!

GOSH!

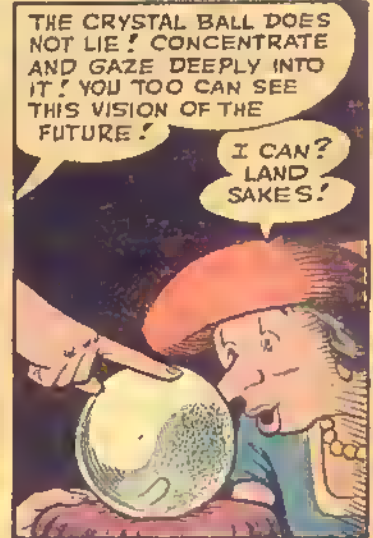
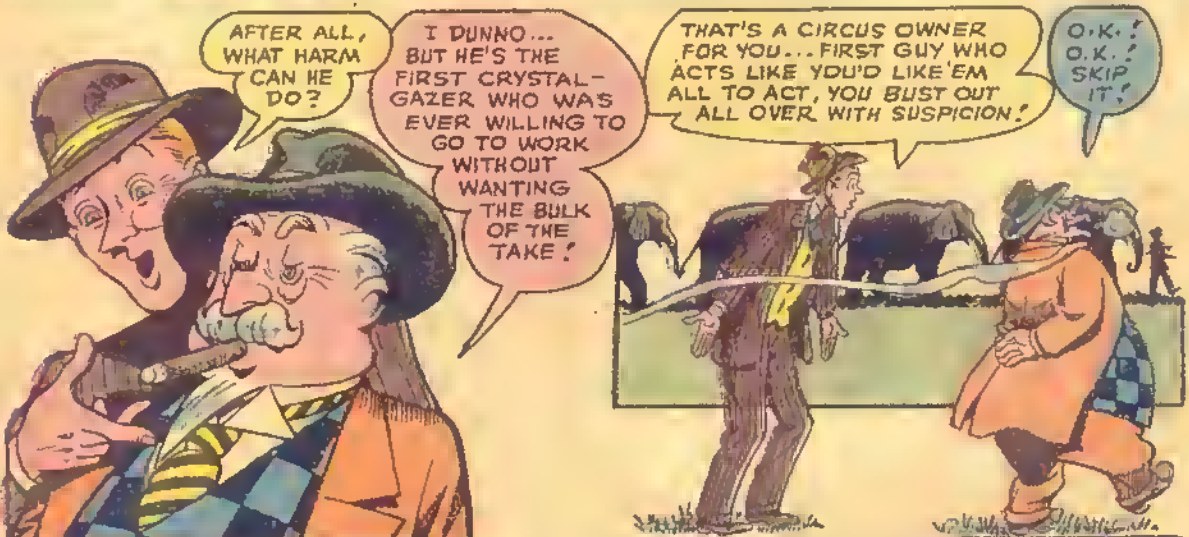
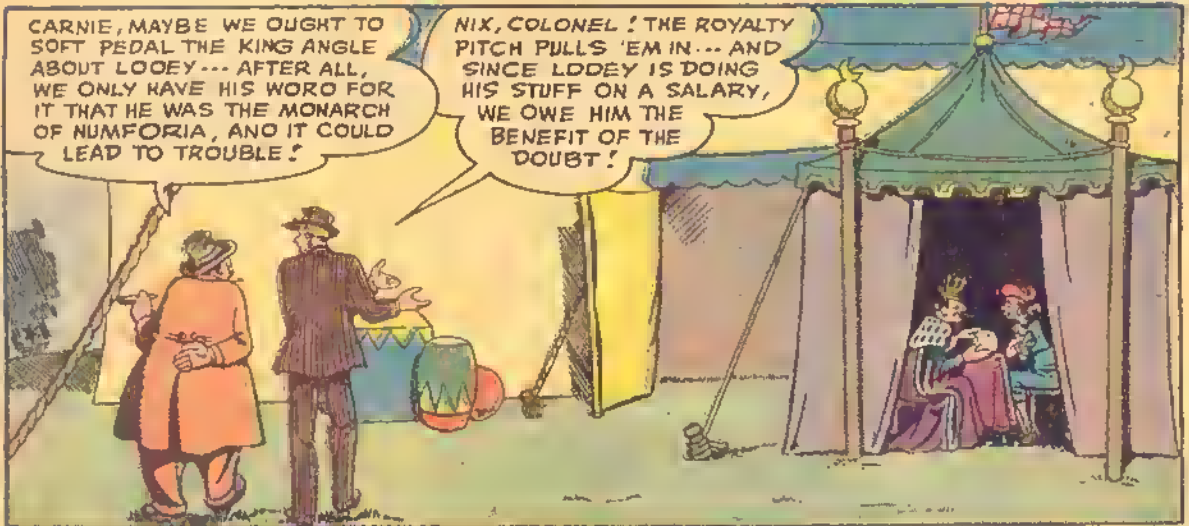
A REAL KING...

AND SO GOOD-LOOKING, TOO!

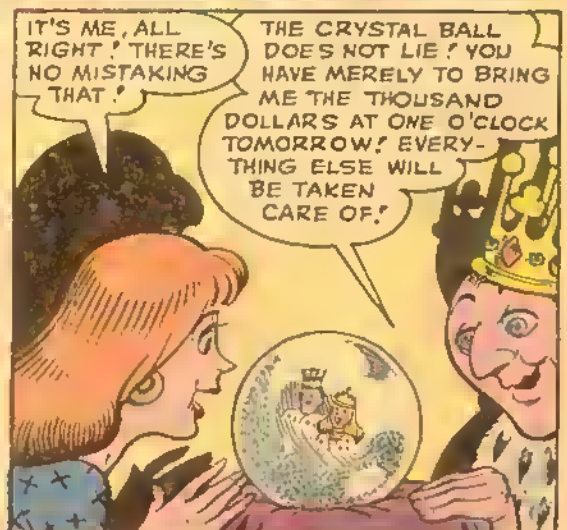
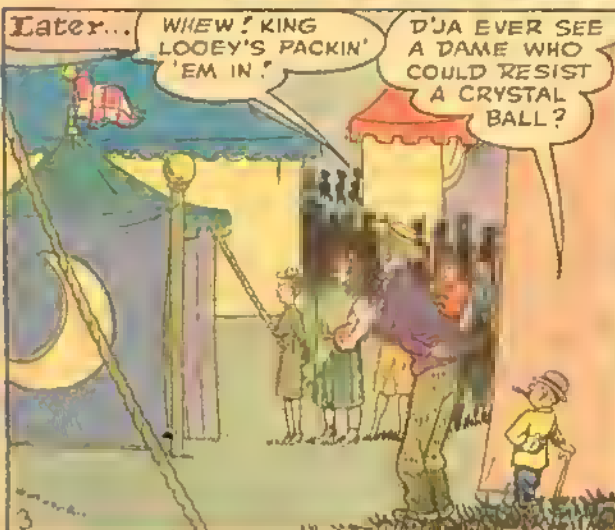
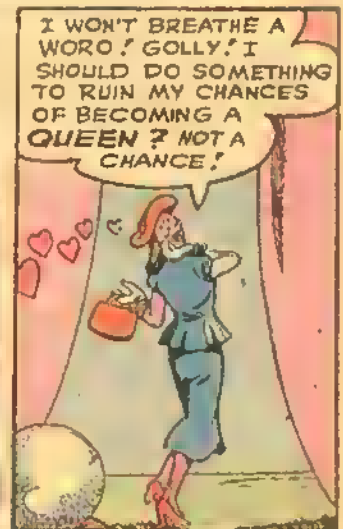
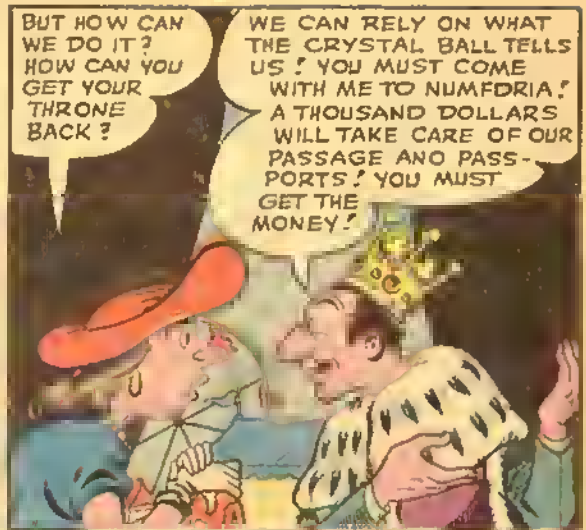
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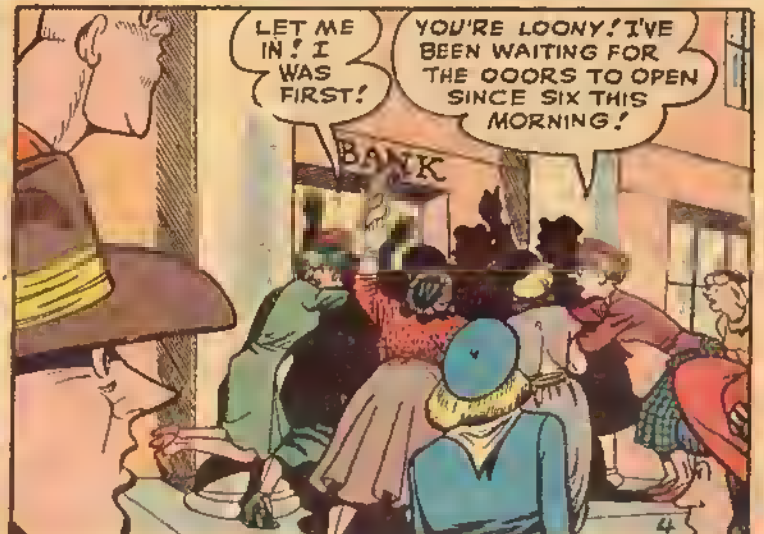
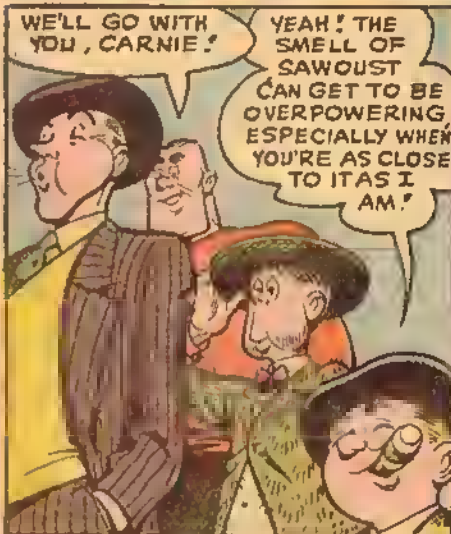
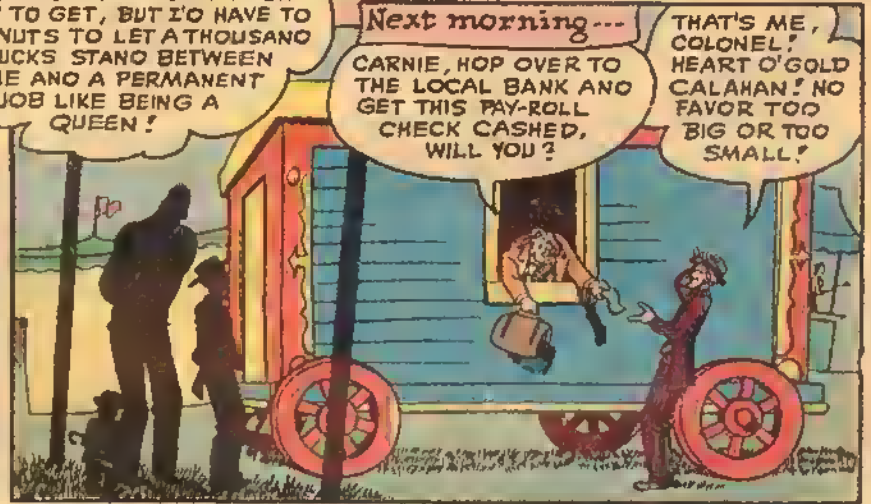
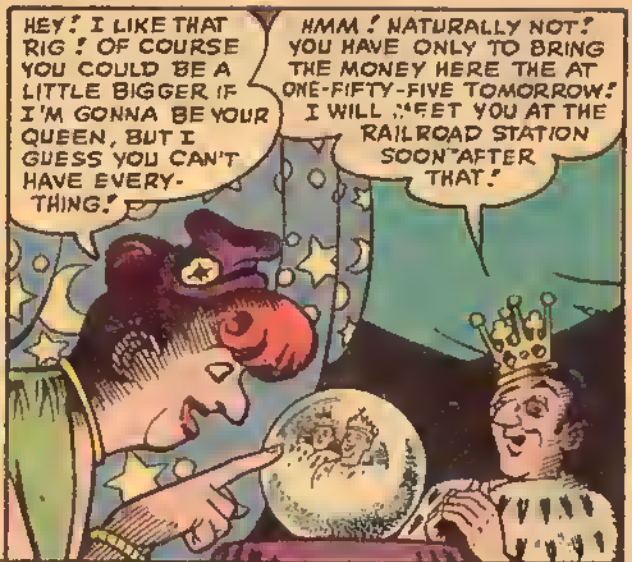
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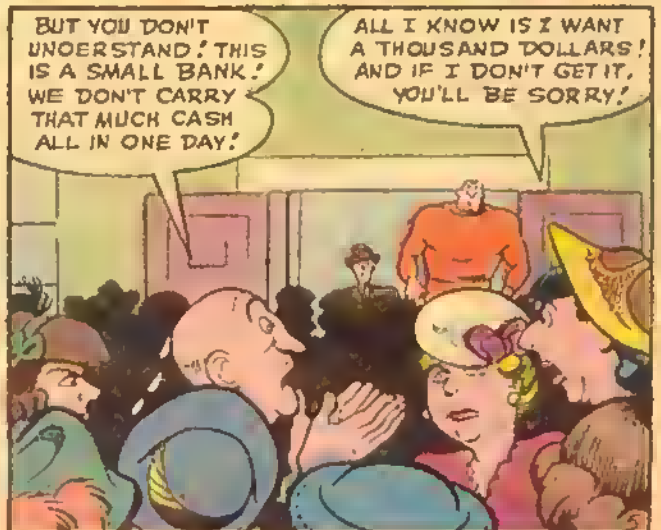
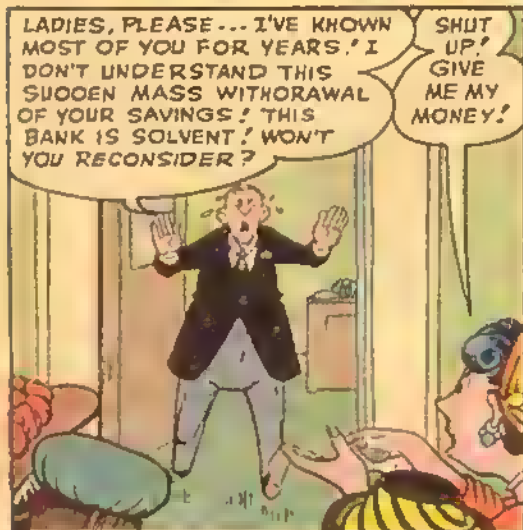
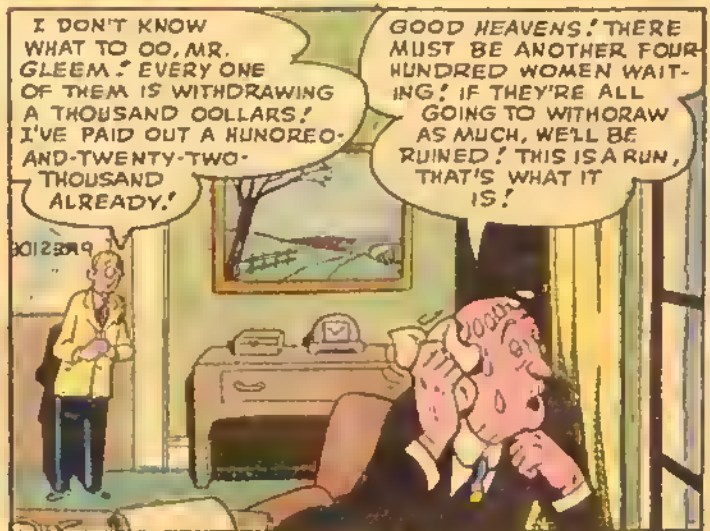
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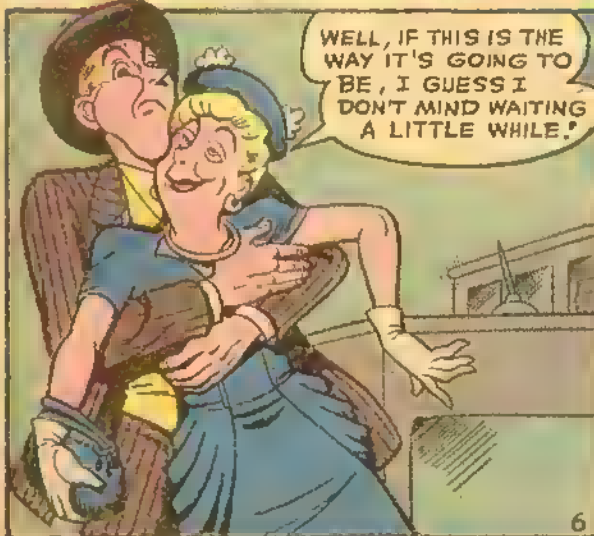
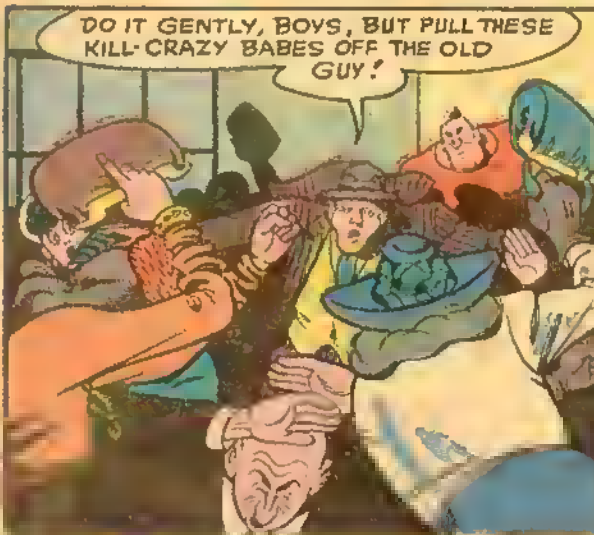
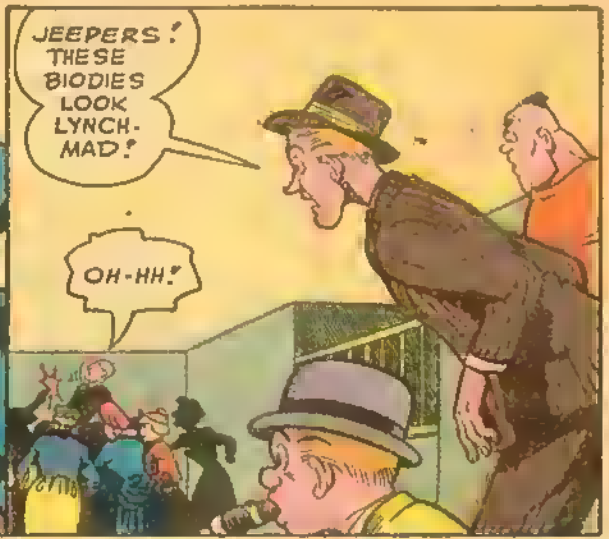


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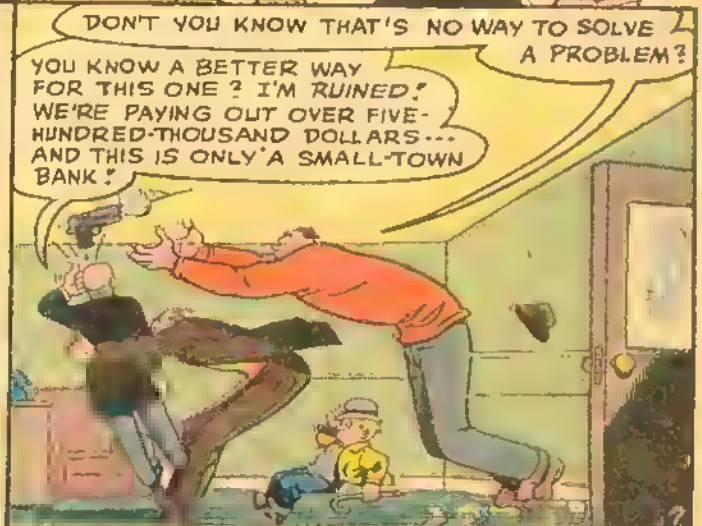
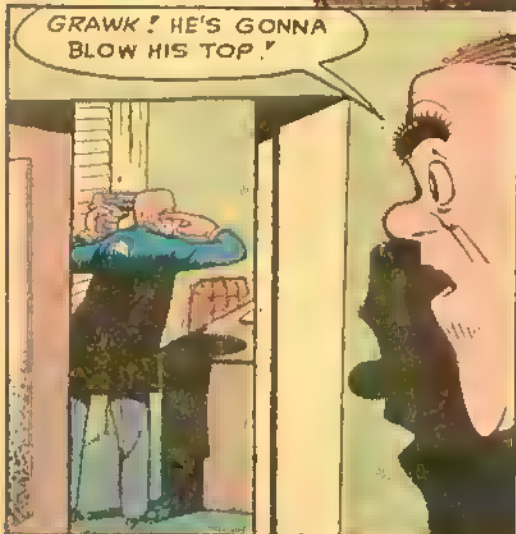
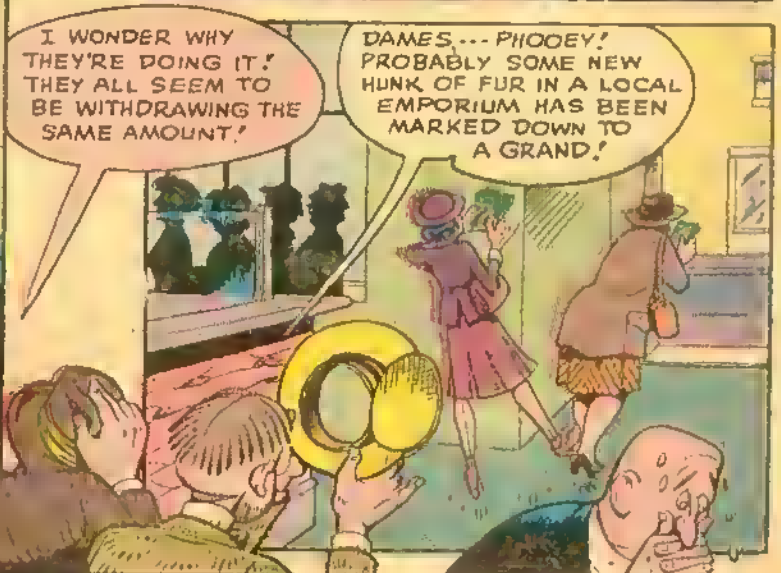
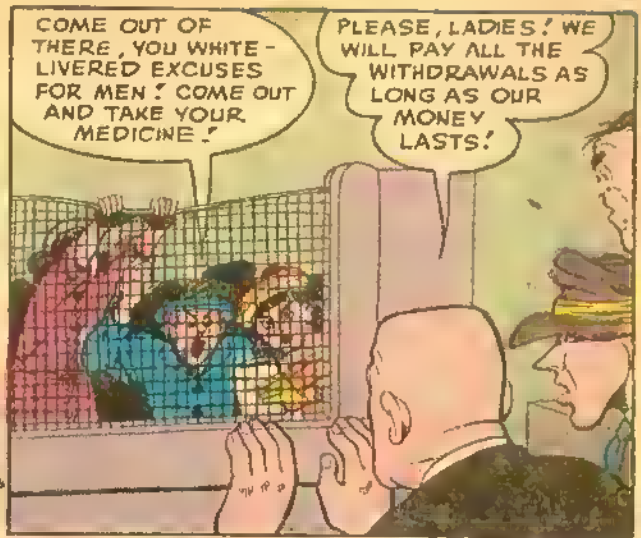
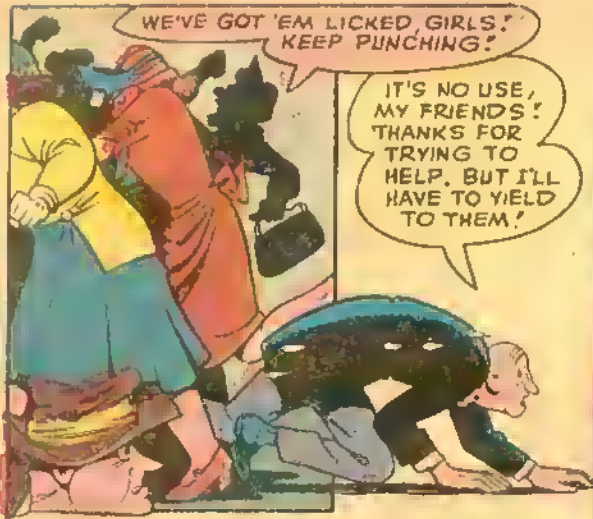


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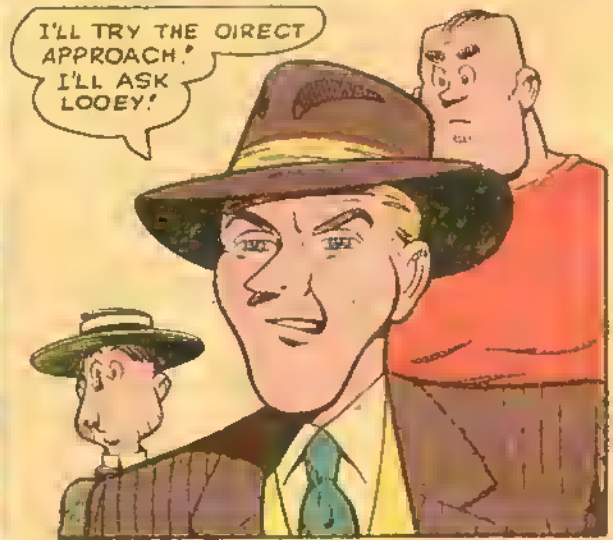
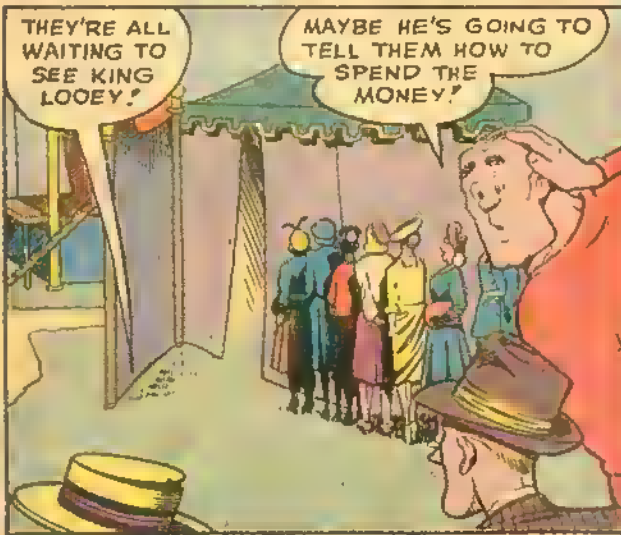
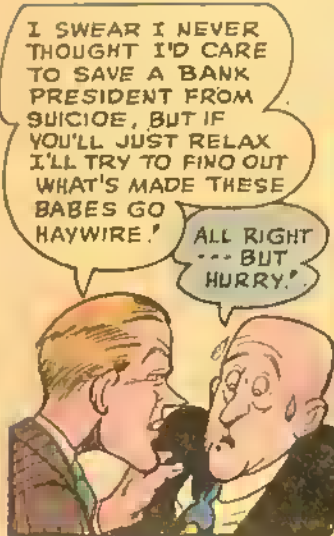


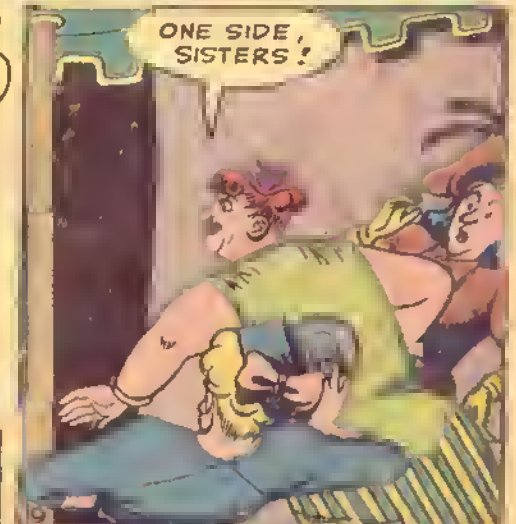
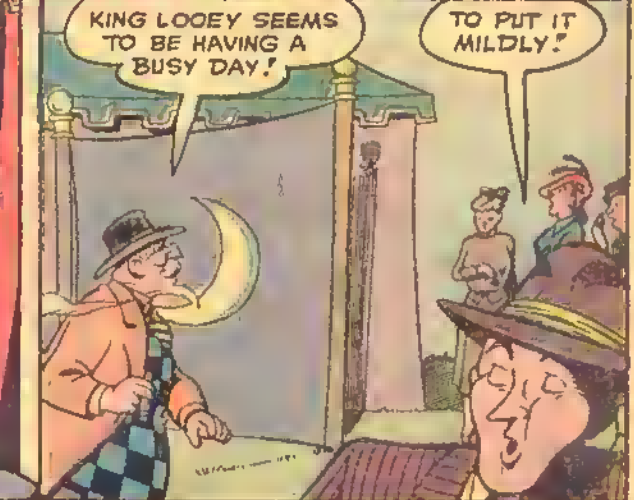
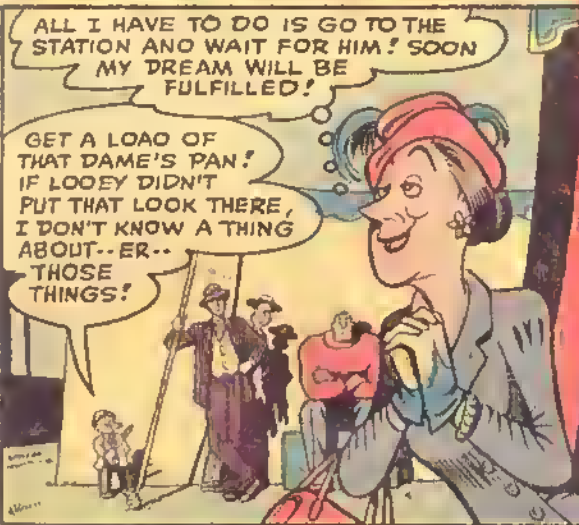
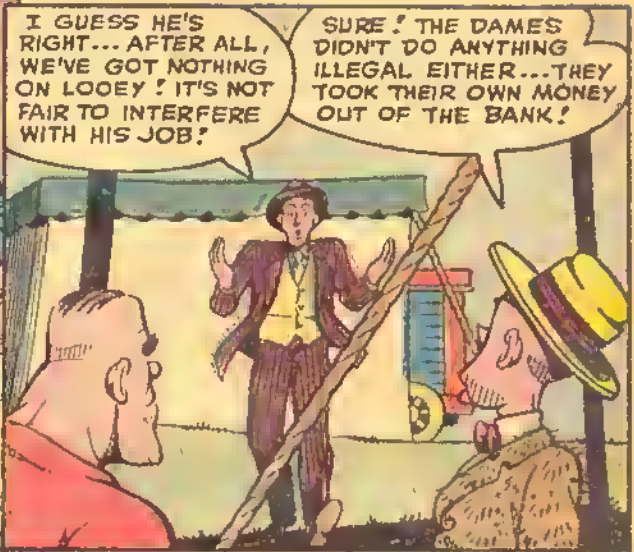


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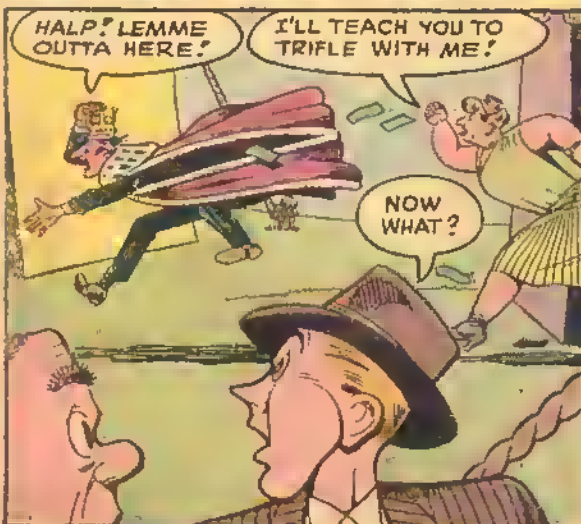
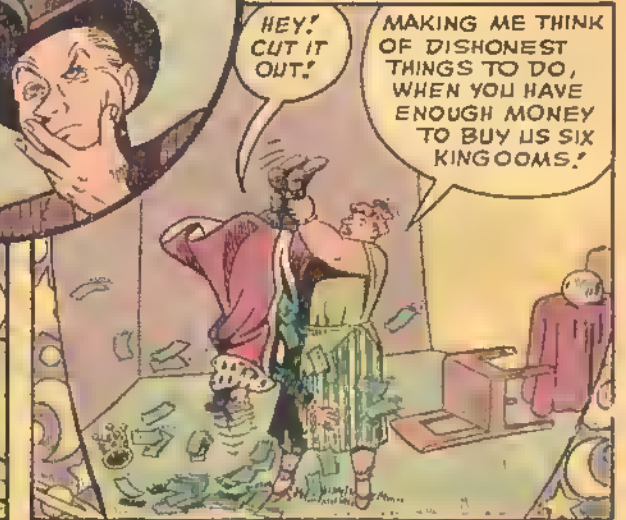
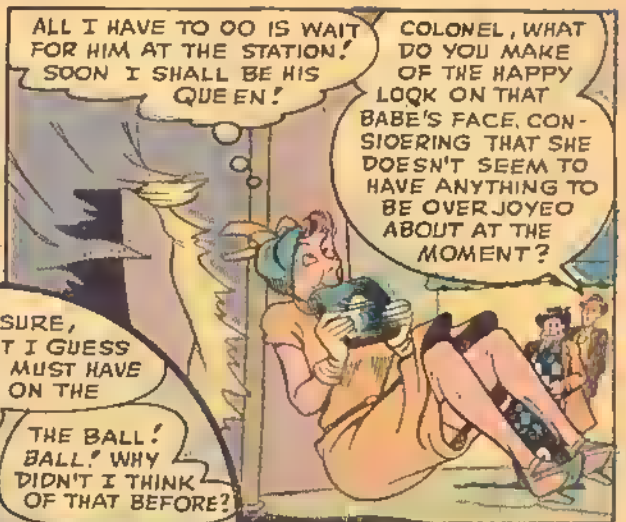
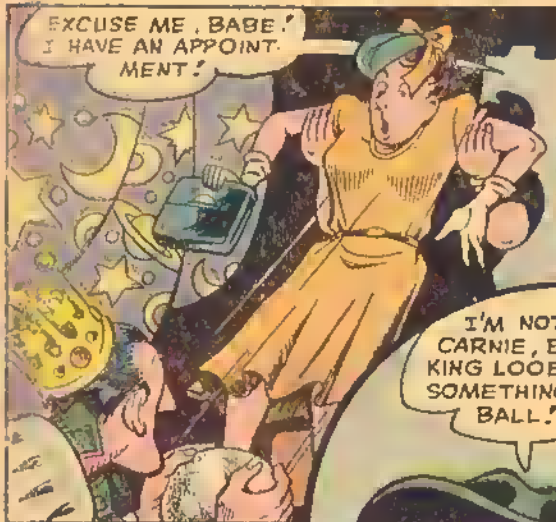


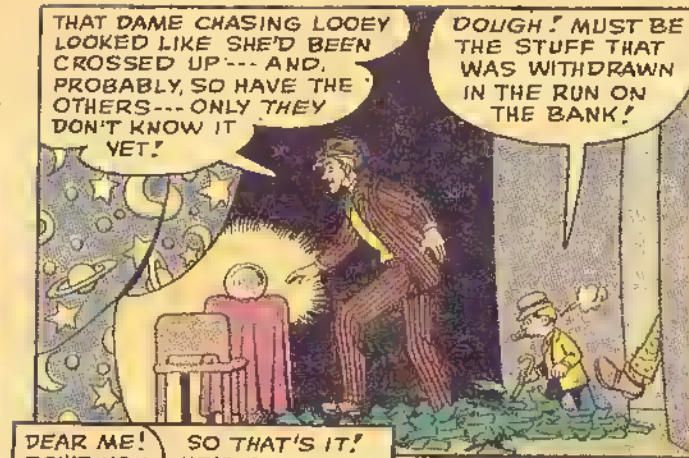
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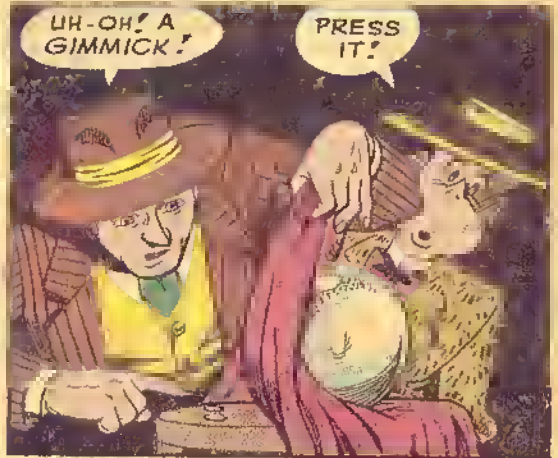
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THAT DAME CHASING LOOEY LOOKED LIKE SHE'D BEEN CROSSED UP --- AND, PROBABLY, SO HAVE THE OTHERS --- ONLY THEY DON'T KNOW IT YET!

DOUGH! MUST BE THE STUFF THAT WAS WITHDRAWN IN THE RUN ON THE BANK!



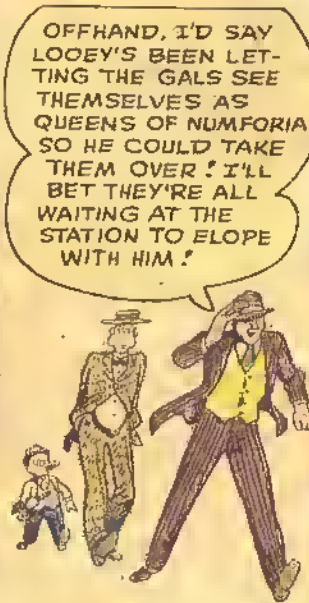
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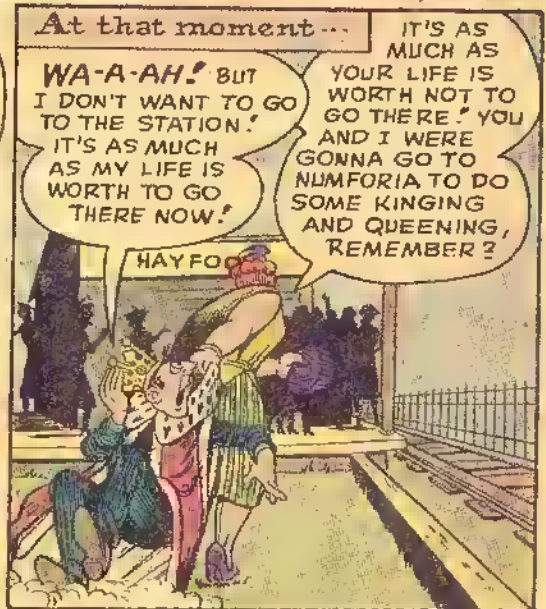


DEAR ME! DON'T YOU MAKE A CUTE QUEEN?

SO THAT'S IT! HE'S GOT A TRICK MIRROR PROP IN THE CRYSTAL BALL --- WHEN HE PRESSES THE BUTTON, THE HEAD OF THE CLIENT IS SUPERIMPOSED ON THE QUEEN'S COSTUME!



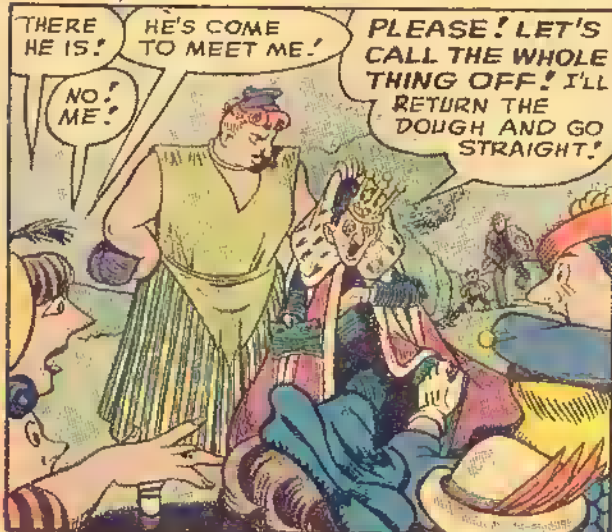
OFFHAND, I'D SAY LOOEY'S BEEN LETTING THE GALS SEE THEMSELVES AS QUEENS OF NUMFORIA SO HE COULD TAKE THEM OVER! I'LL BET THEY'RE ALL WAITING AT THE STATION TO ELOPE WITH HIM!



At that moment ---

WA-A-AH! BUT I DON'T WANT TO GO TO THE STATION! IT'S AS MUCH AS MY LIFE IS WORTH TO GO THERE NOW!

IT'S AS MUCH AS YOUR LIFE IS WORTH NOT TO GO THERE! YOU AND I WERE GONNA GO TO NUMFORIA TO DO SOME KINGING AND QUEENING, REMEMBER?

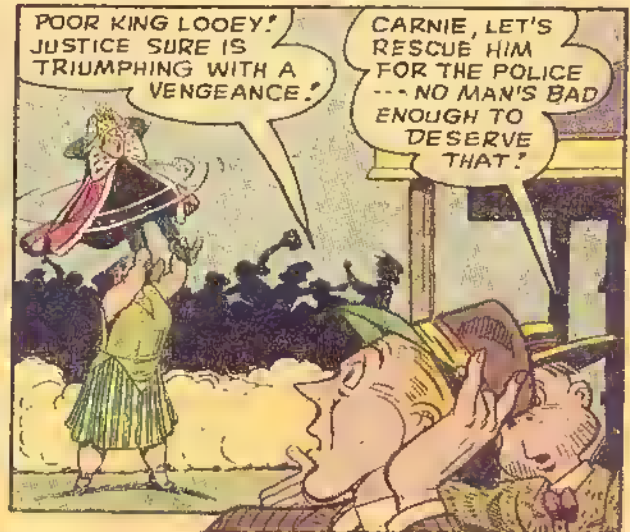


THERE HE IS!

HE'S COME TO MEET ME!

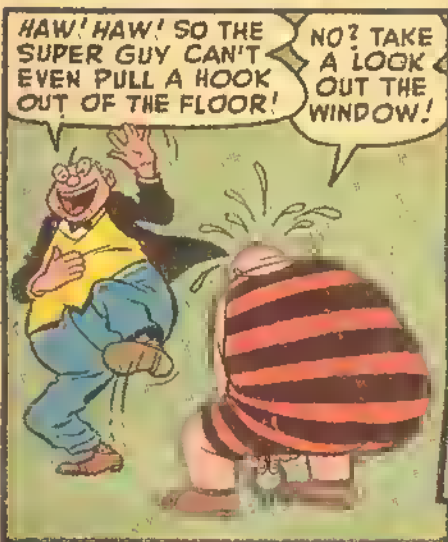
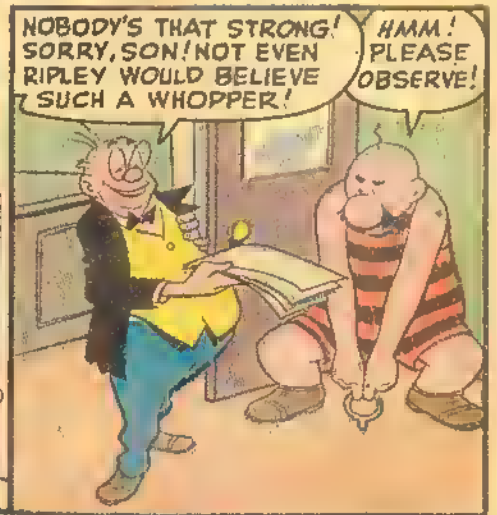
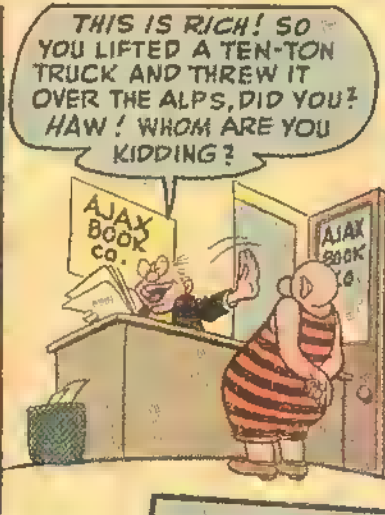
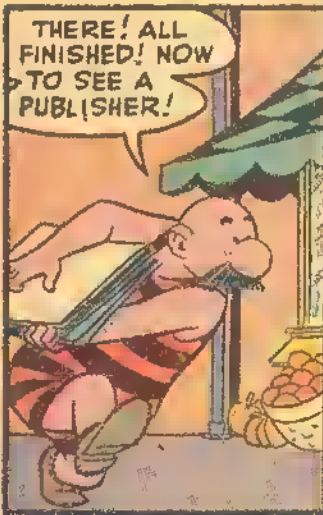
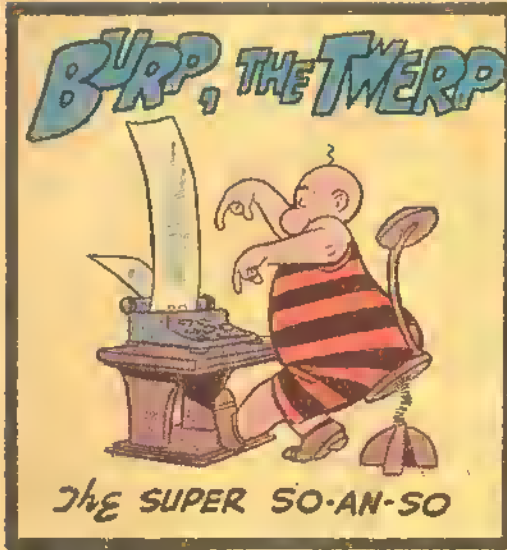
NO! ME!

PLEASE! LET'S CALL THE WHOLE THING OFF! I'LL RETURN THE DOUGH AND GO STRAIGHT!

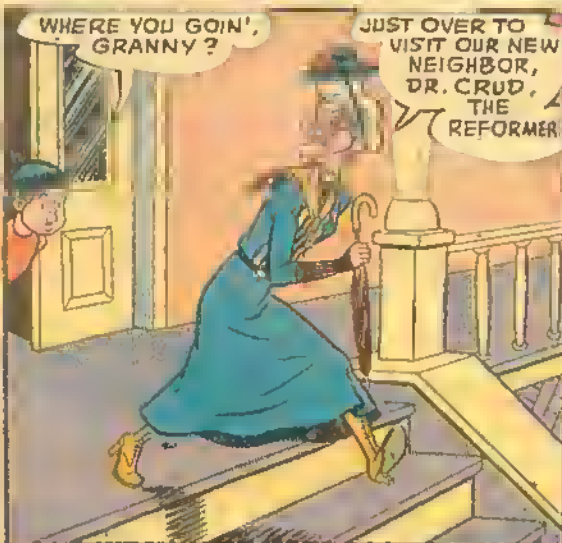
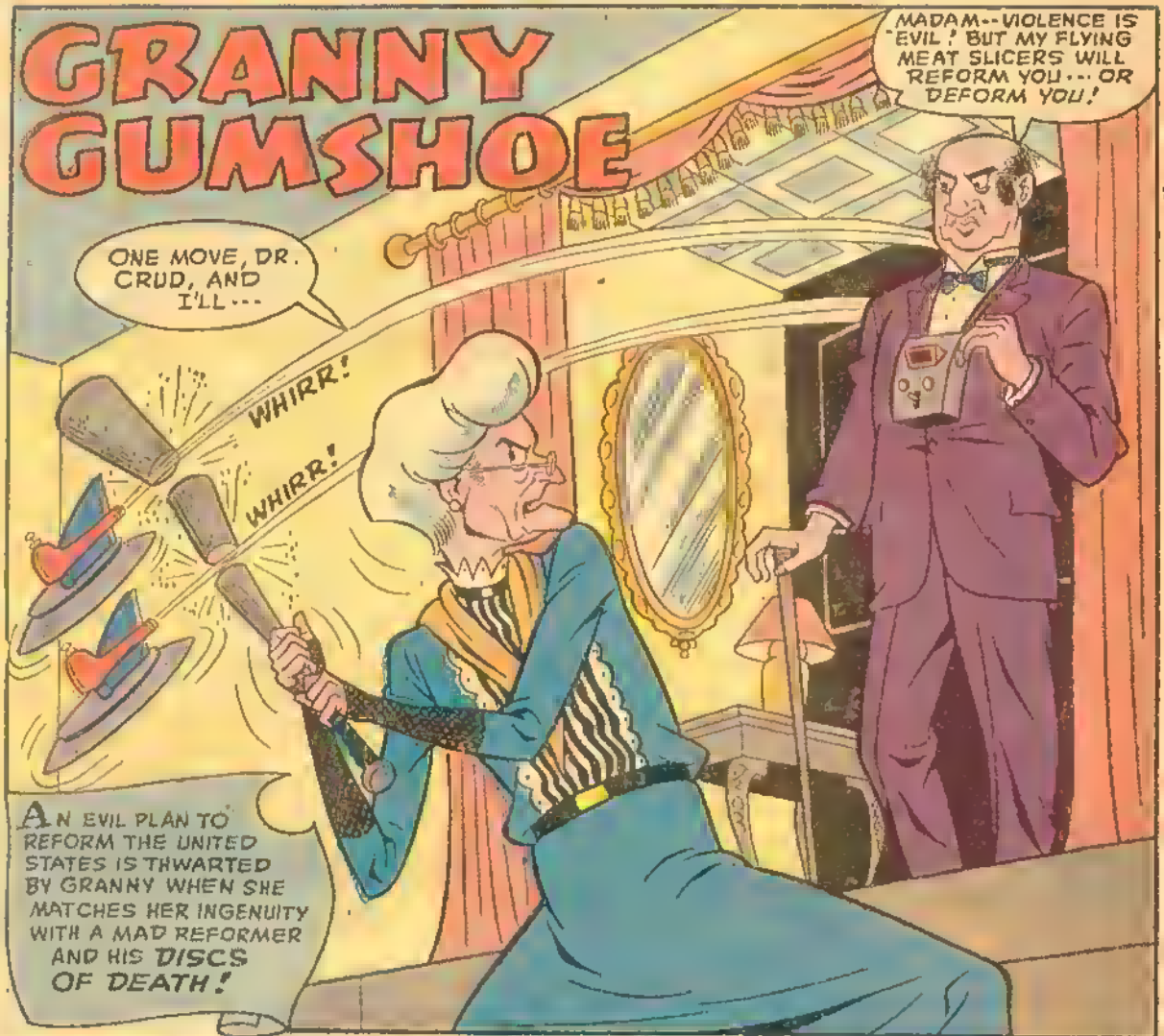


POOR KING LOOEY! JUSTICE SURE IS TRIUMPHING WITH A VENGEANCE!

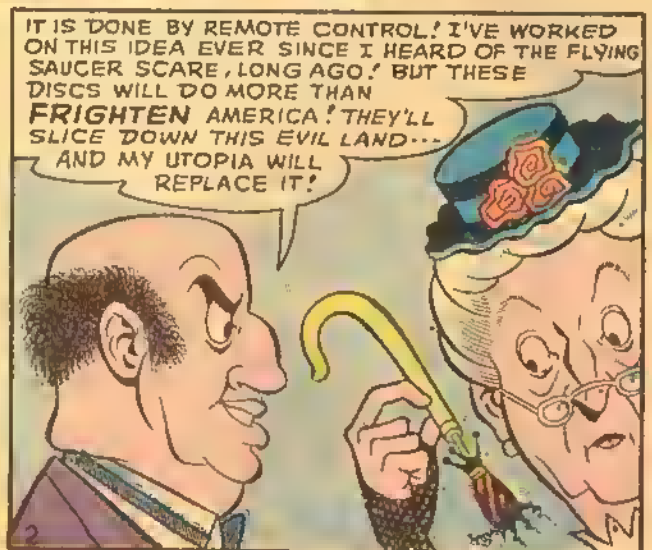
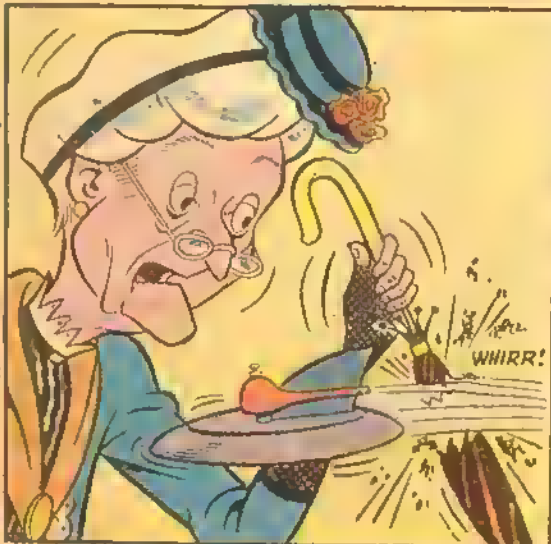
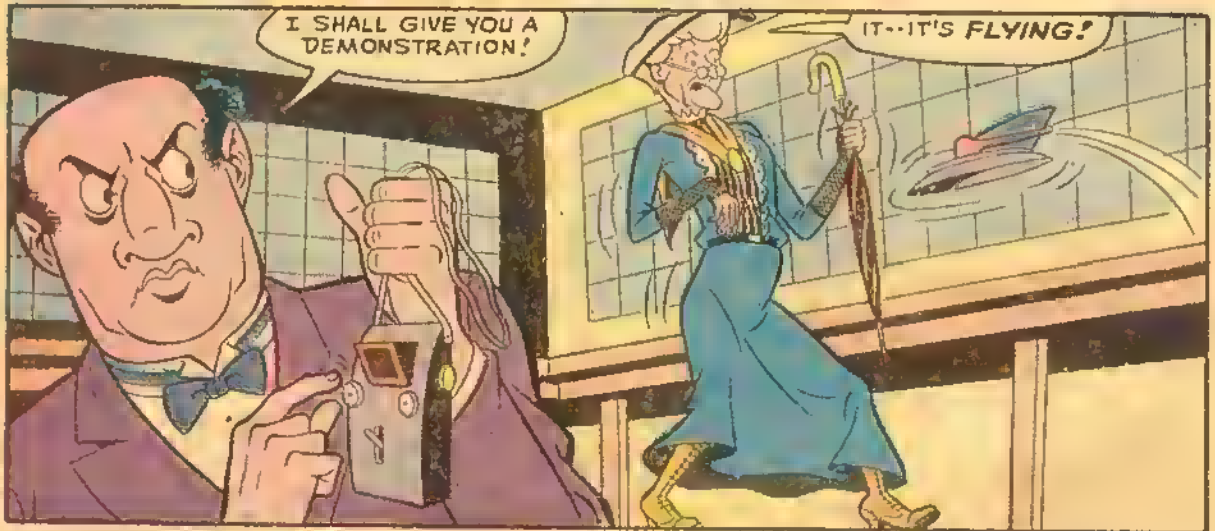
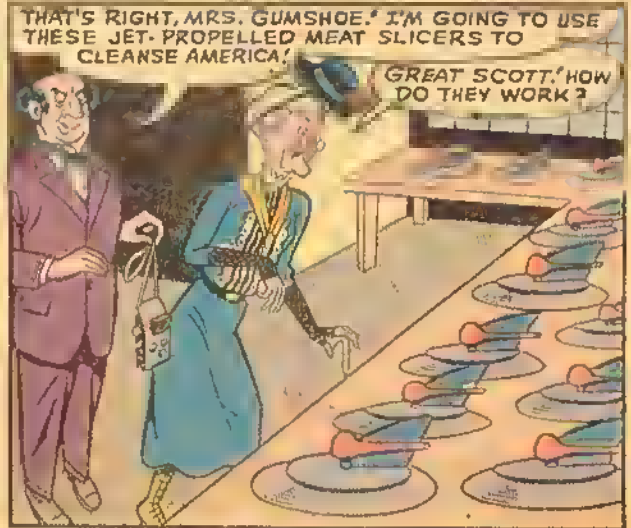
CARNIE, LET'S RESCUE HIM FOR THE POLICE --- NO MAN'S BAD ENOUGH TO DESERVE THAT!

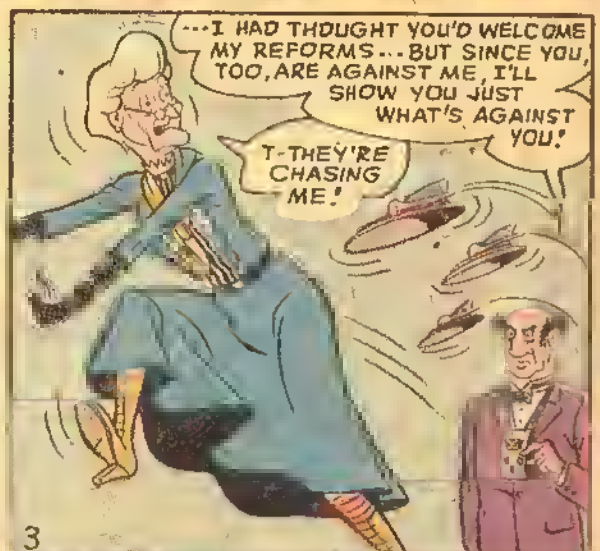
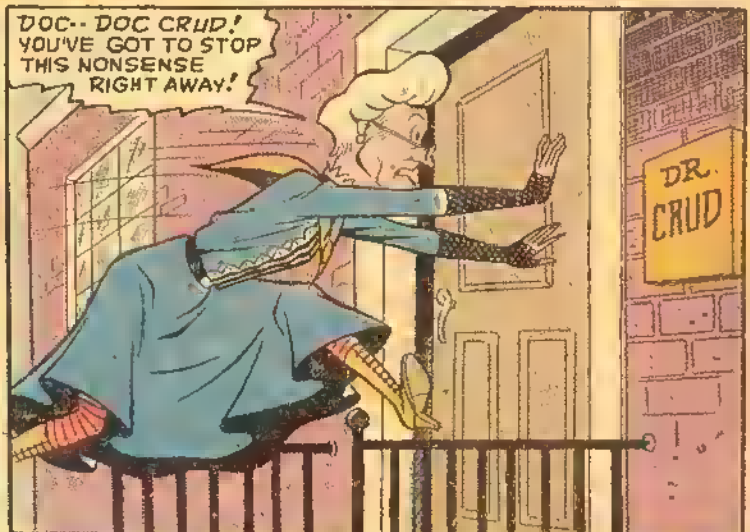
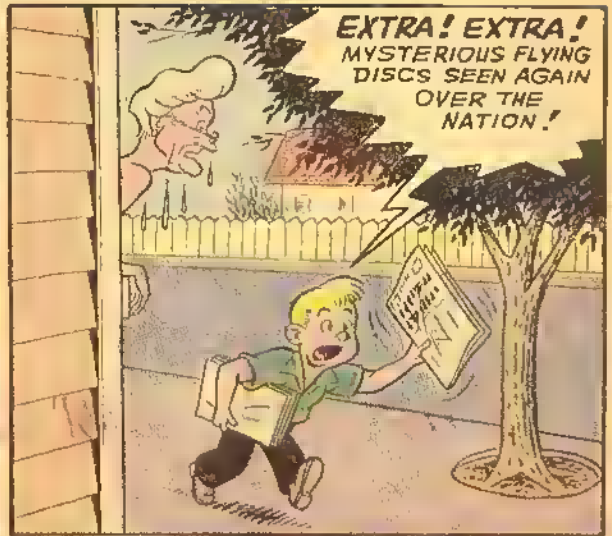
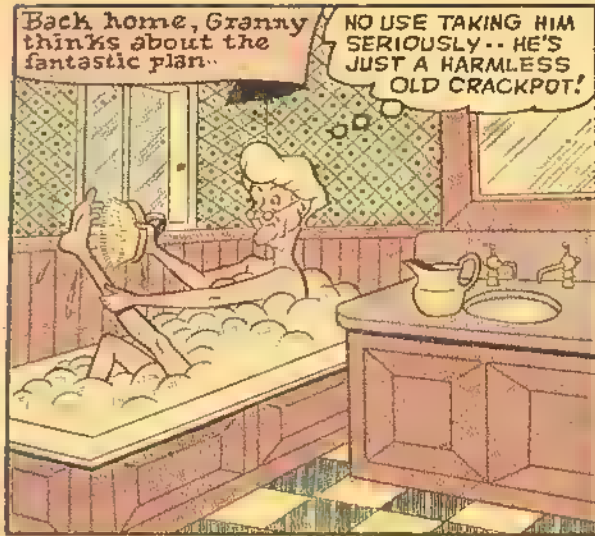


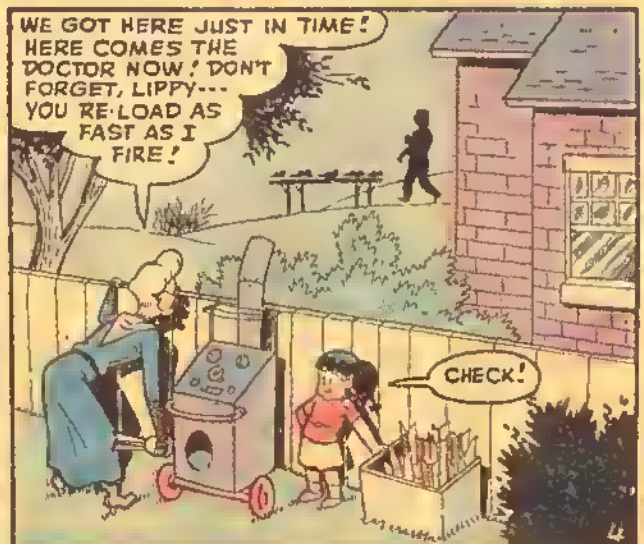
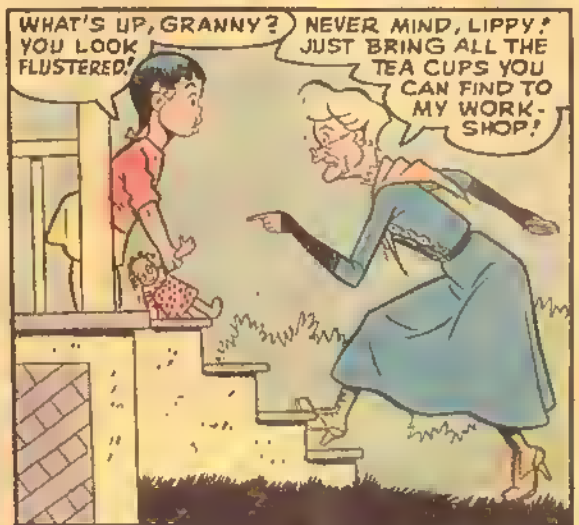
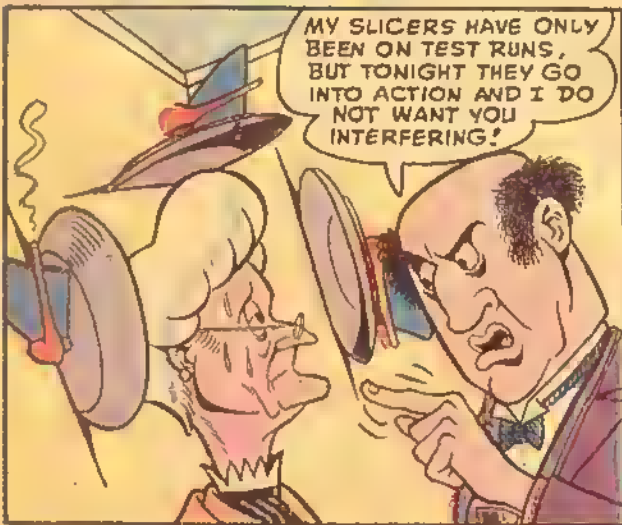
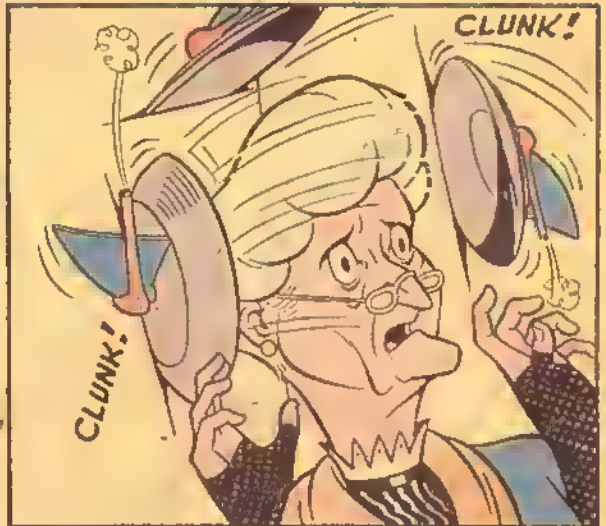
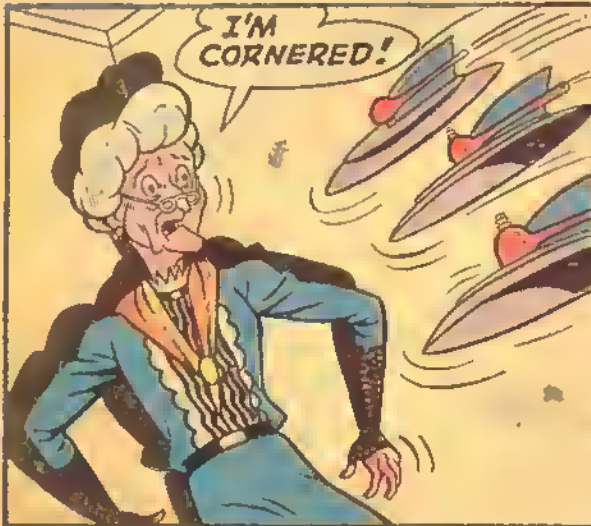
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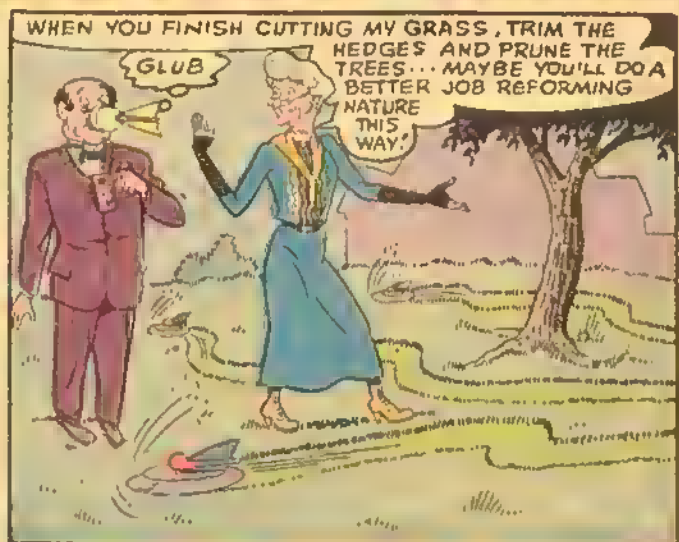
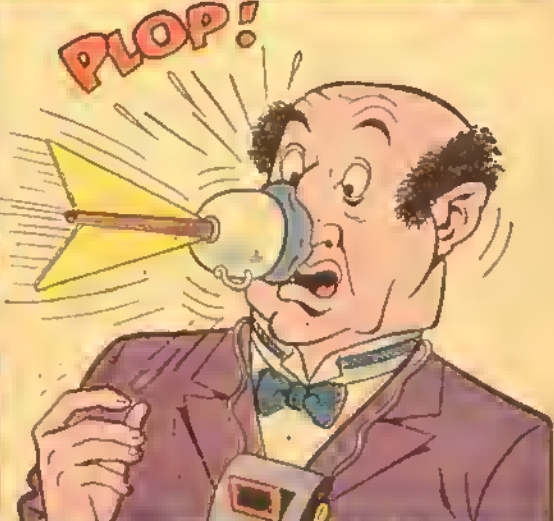
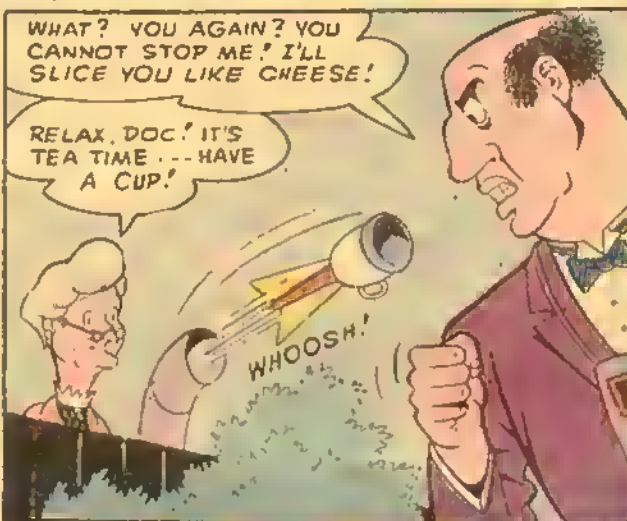
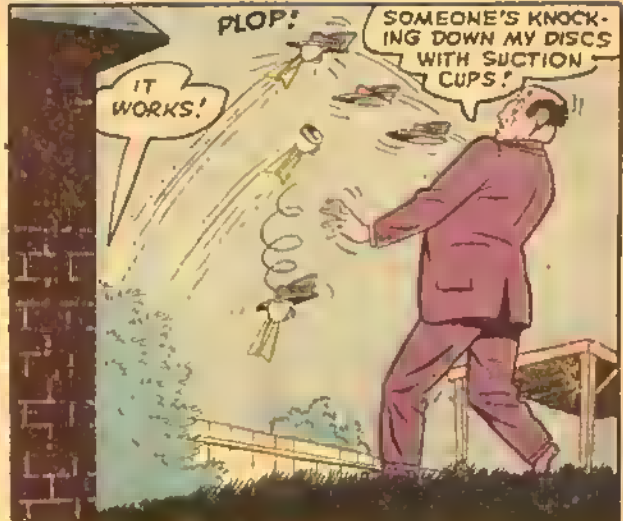
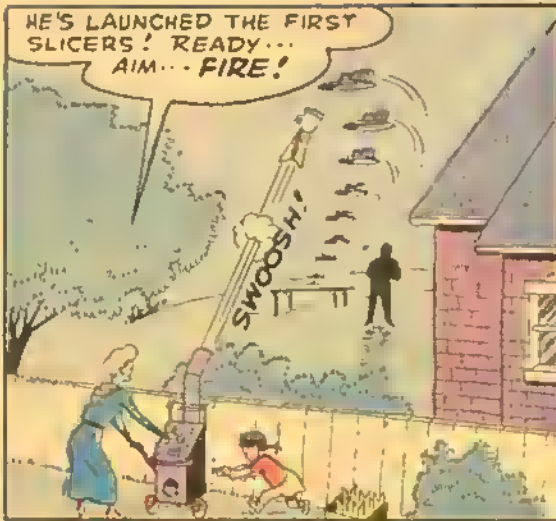


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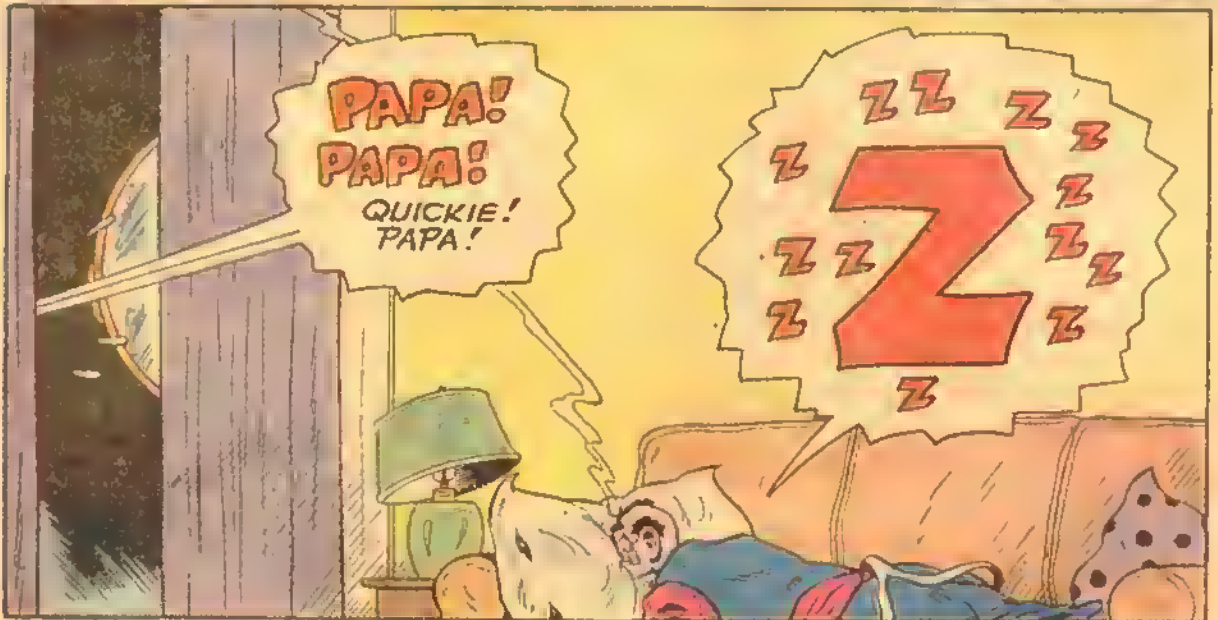




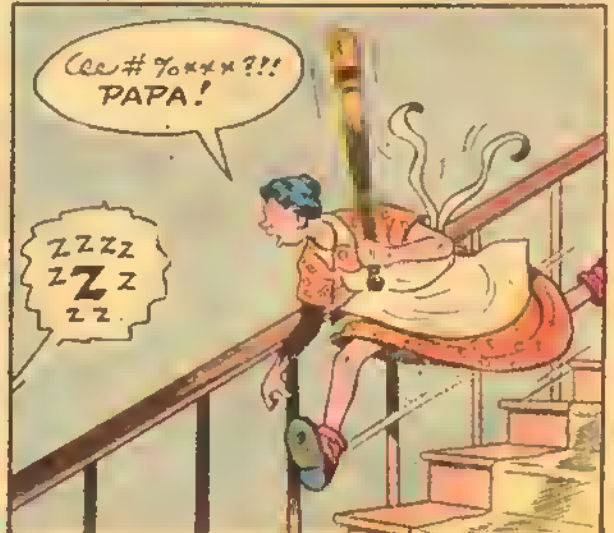
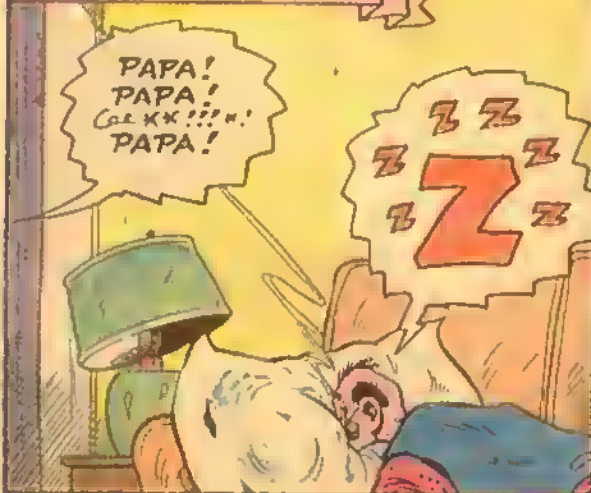
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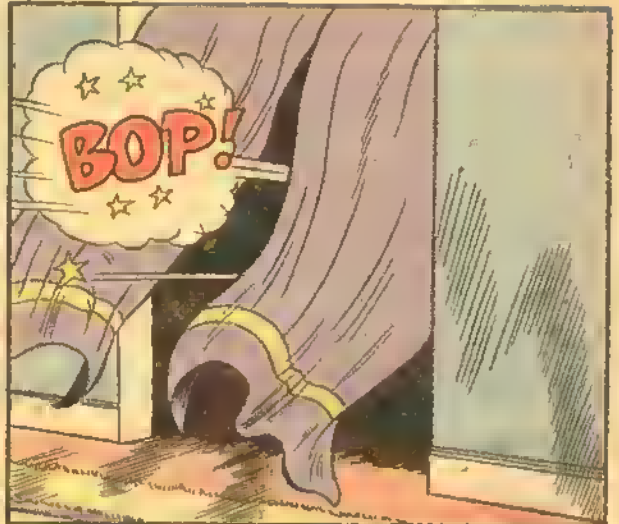
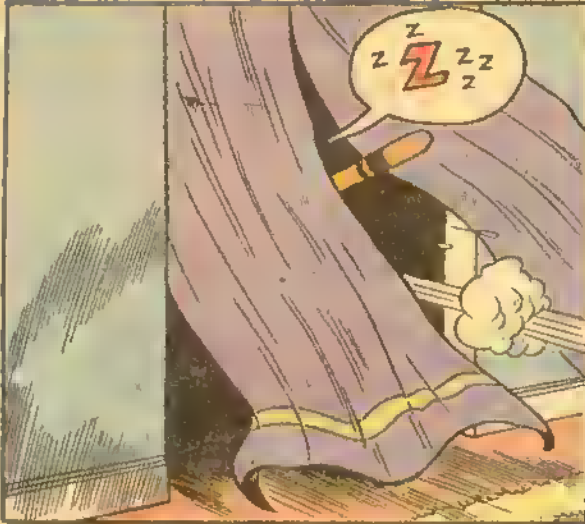


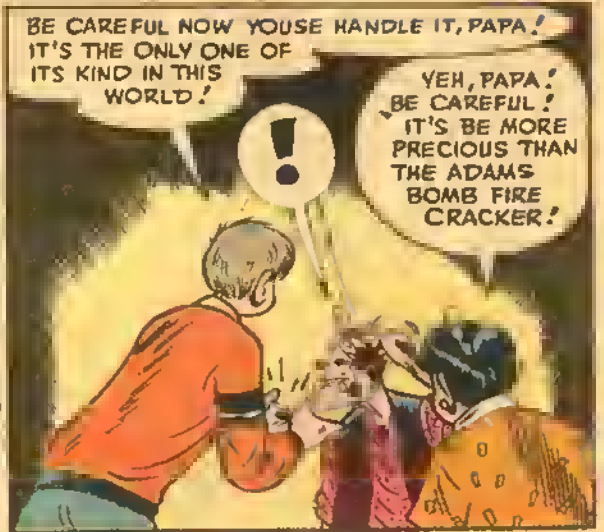
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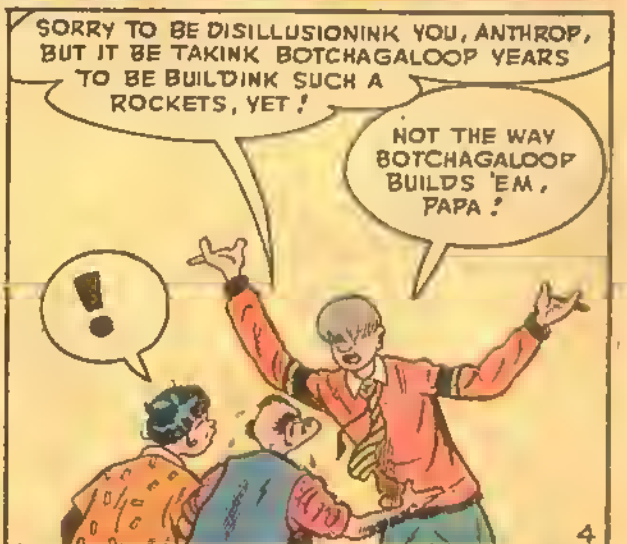
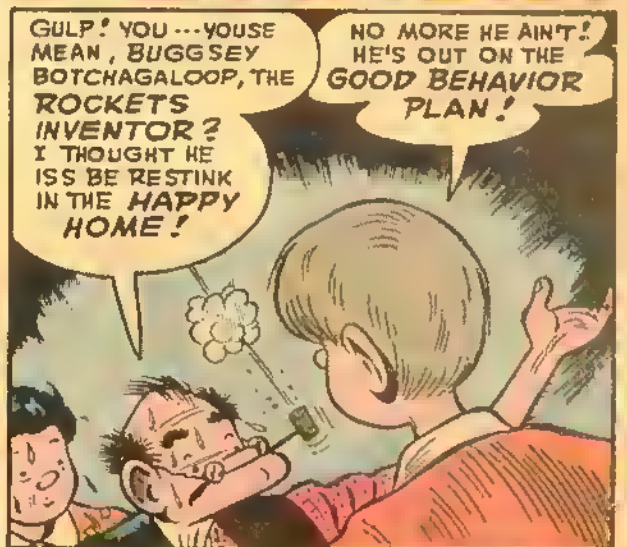
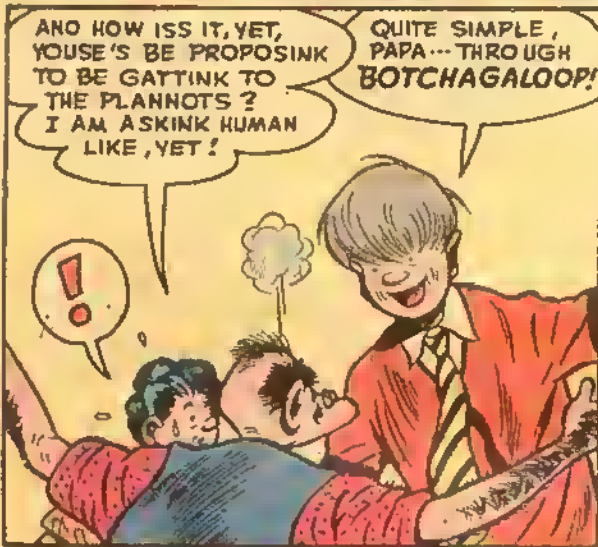
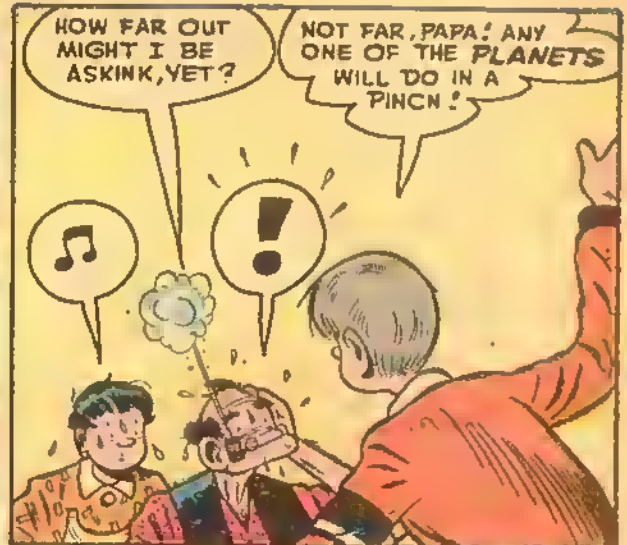
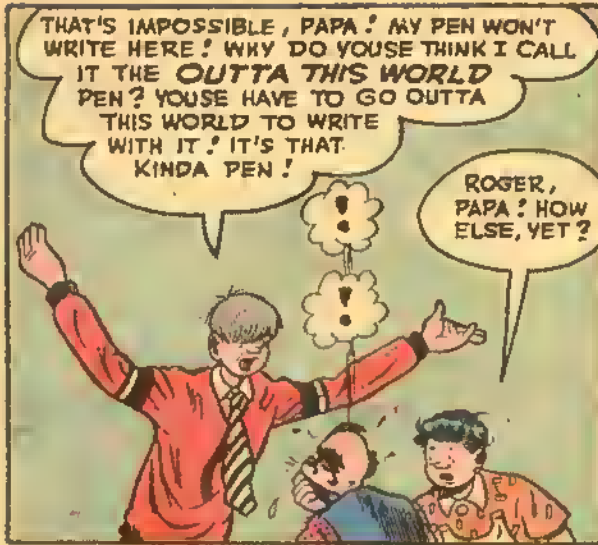


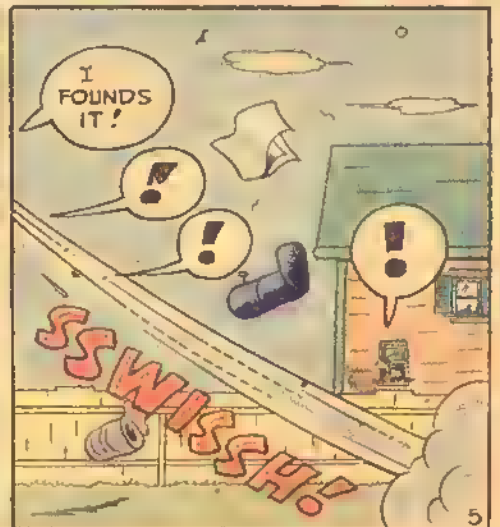
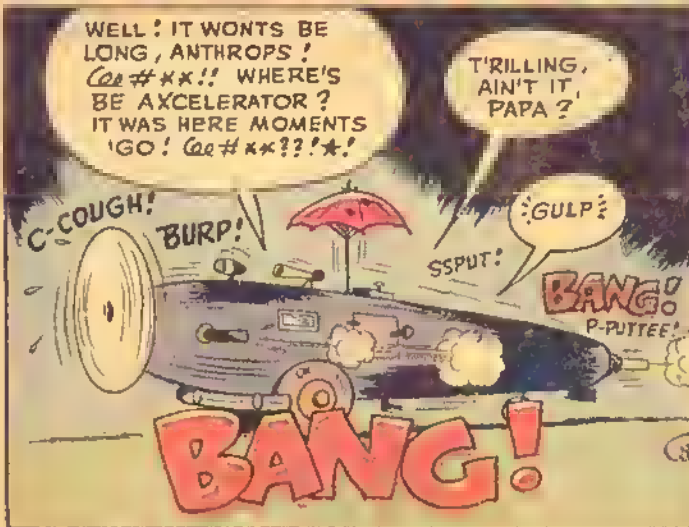
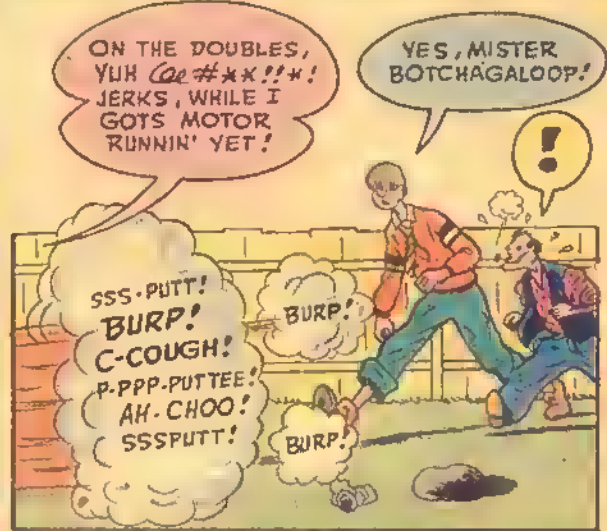
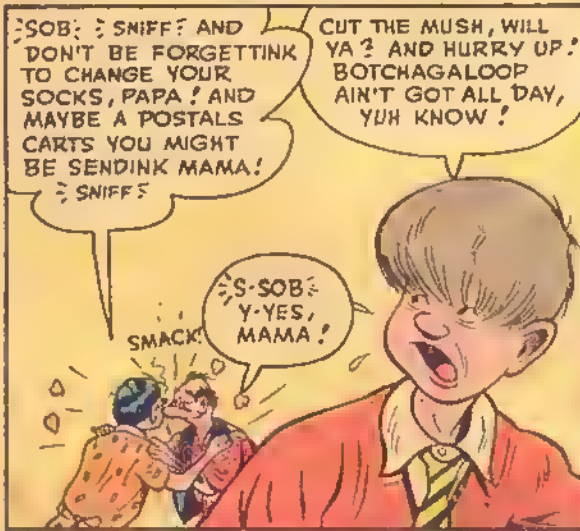
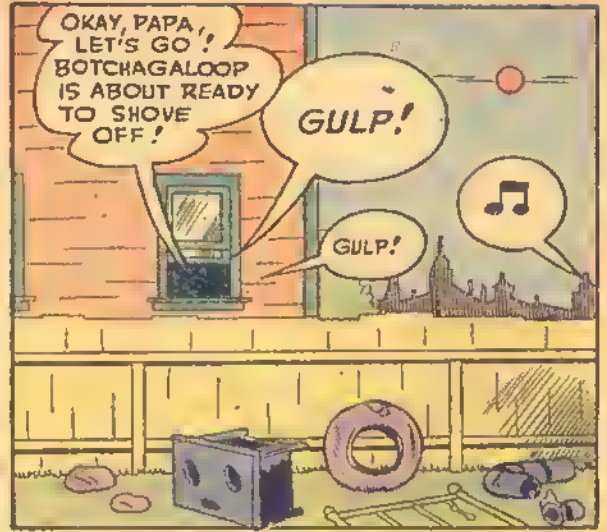
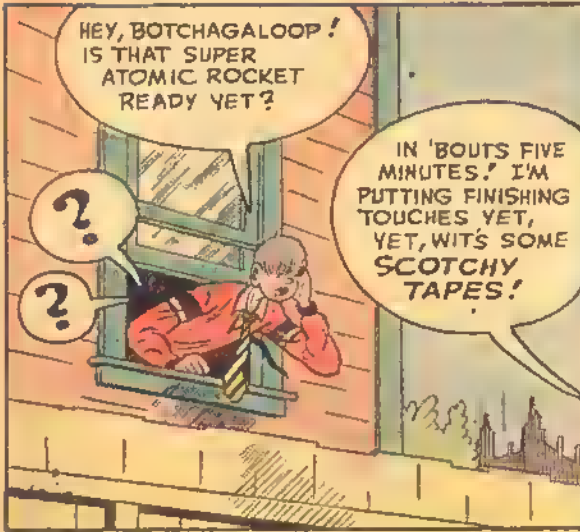
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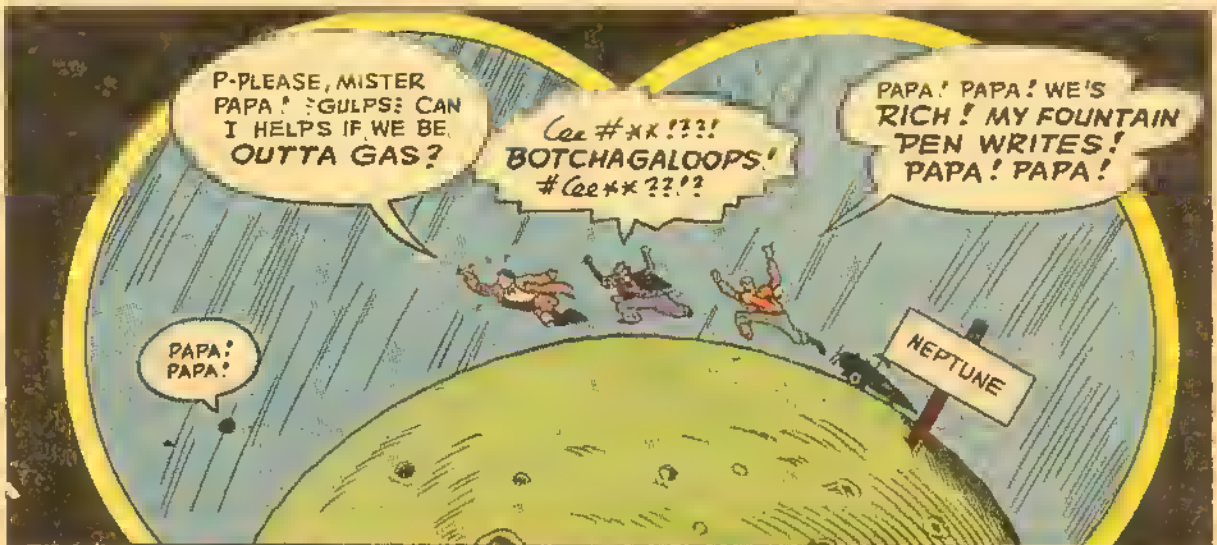
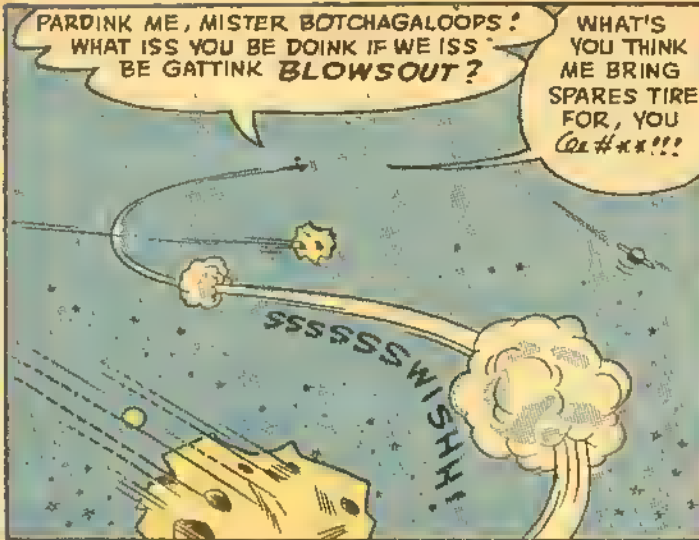


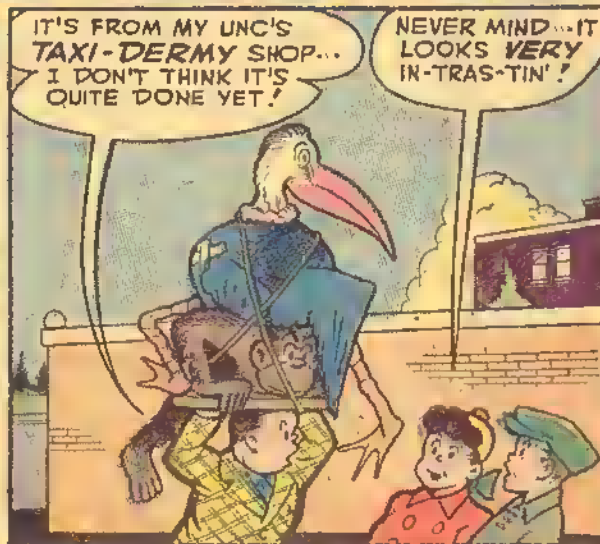
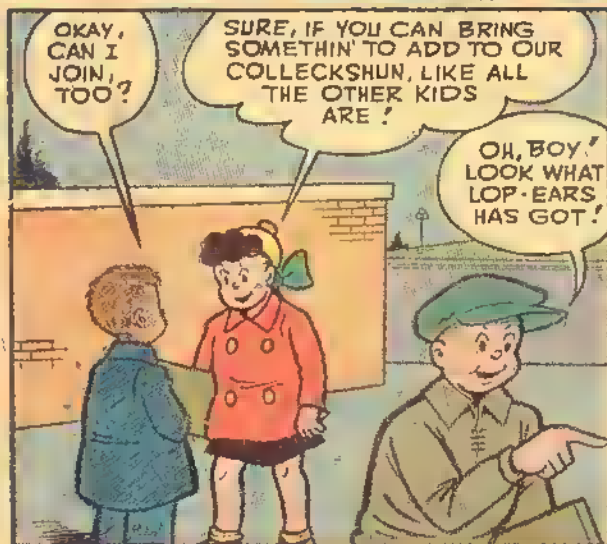
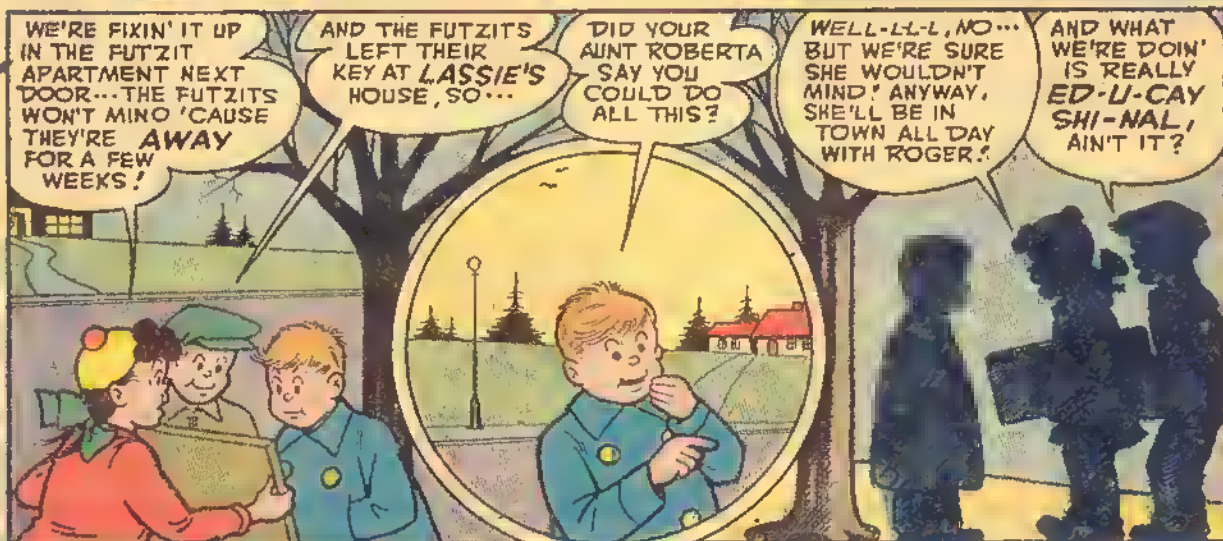
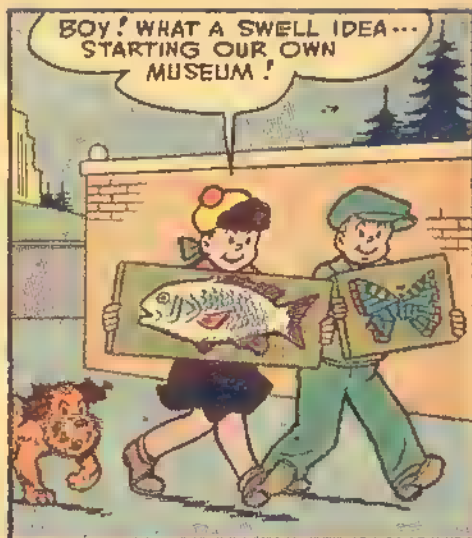


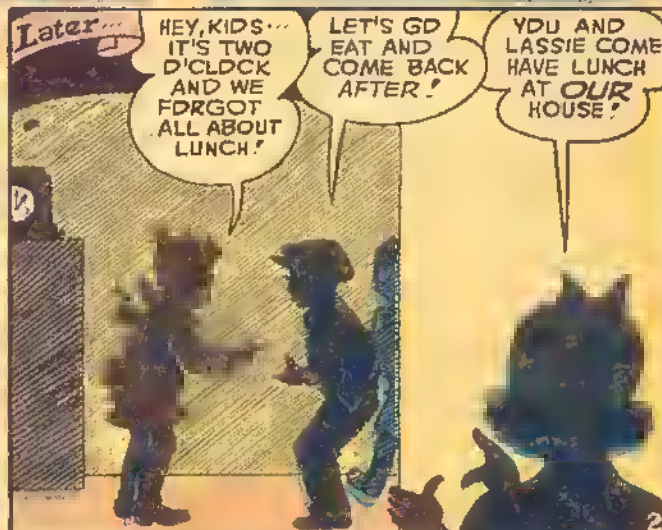
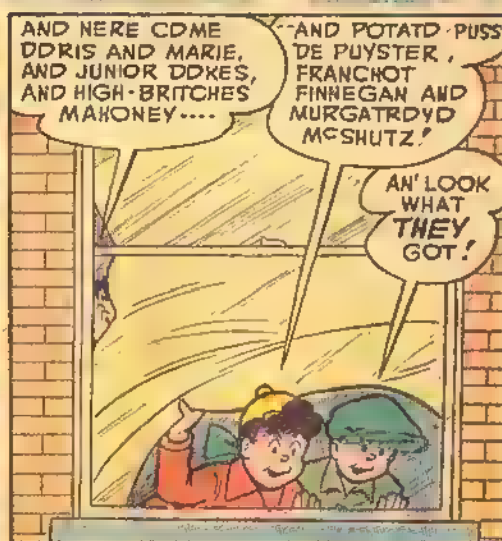
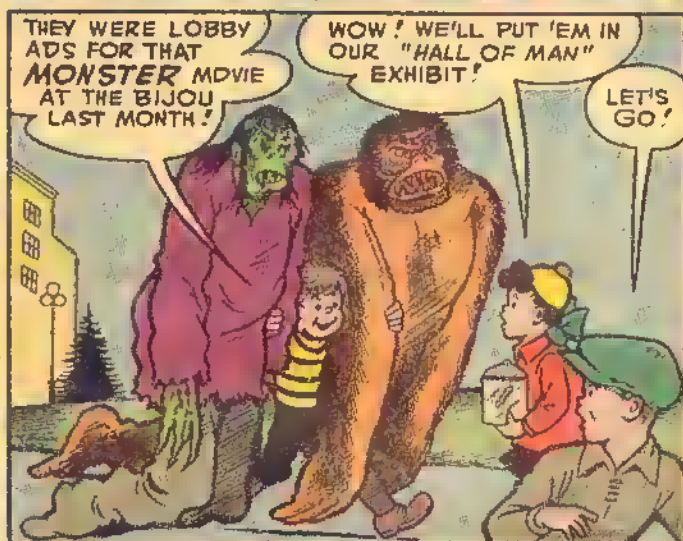
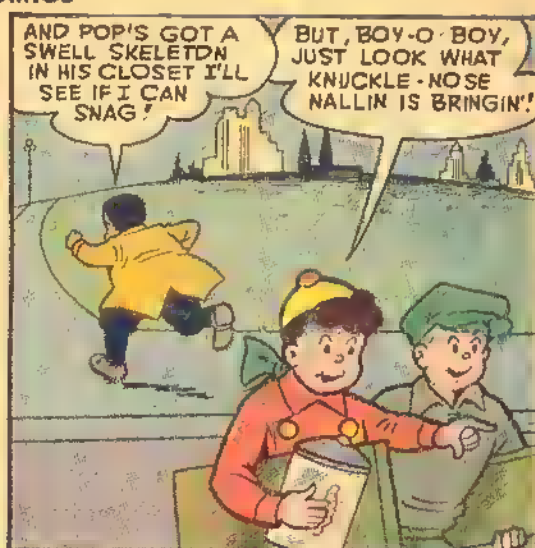
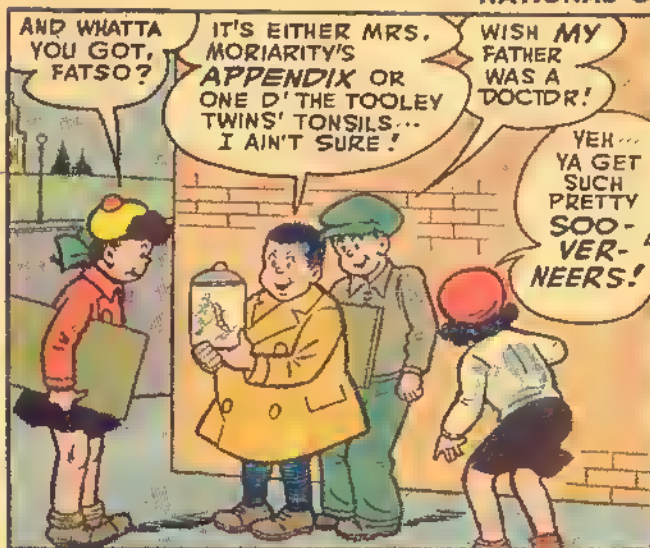








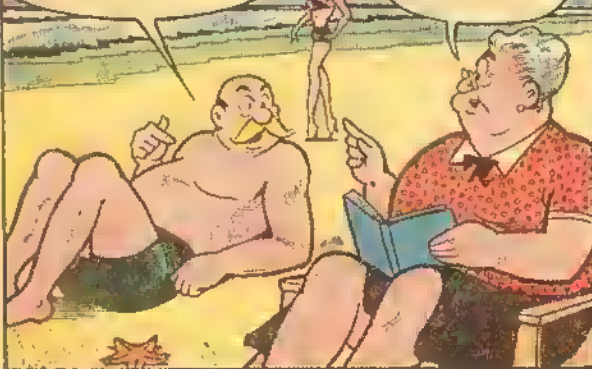




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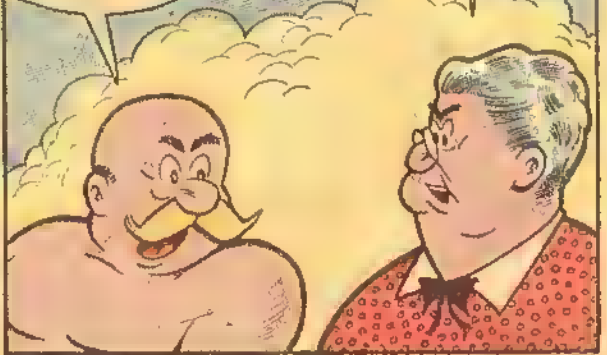
YOU MEAN TO SAY YOU WIRED THAT DIZZY CLUB OF YOURS PERMISSION TO USE OUR APARTMENT FOR A MEETING?

NOW, HENRY, THAT CLUB IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME SOCIALLY ... **VERY!**



FINE STUFF! I'LL BET AT THIS VERY MOMENT THOSE OLD HENS ARE IN THERE PROWLING INTO EVERYTHING PERSONAL I OWN!

OH, DON'T BE SO DREADFULLY SUSPICIOUS!



While the girls of Mrs. Futzit's PSYCHIC RESEARCH SOCIETY pick this very moment to arrive at the Futzits' apartment!

THE WIRE SAID THE KEYS WOULD BE NEXT DOOR...

BUT NO ONE ANSWERS THERE... SO SUPPOSE WE TRY THE DOOR!



WE'RE IN LUCK, GIRLS... IT'S OPEN!

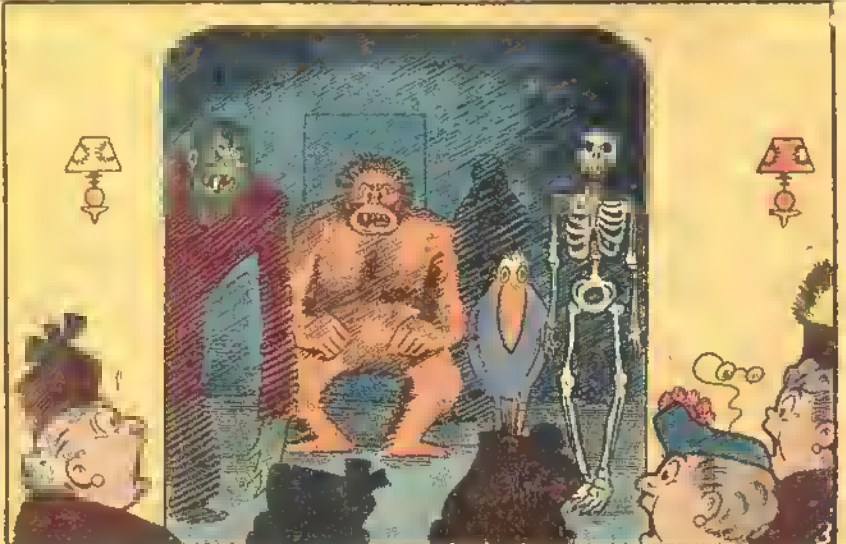
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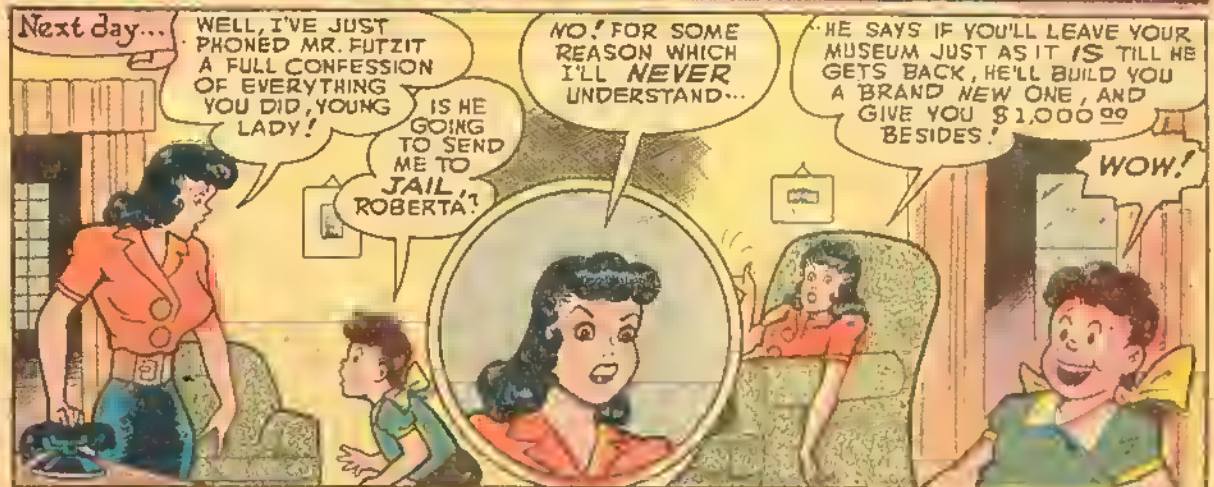
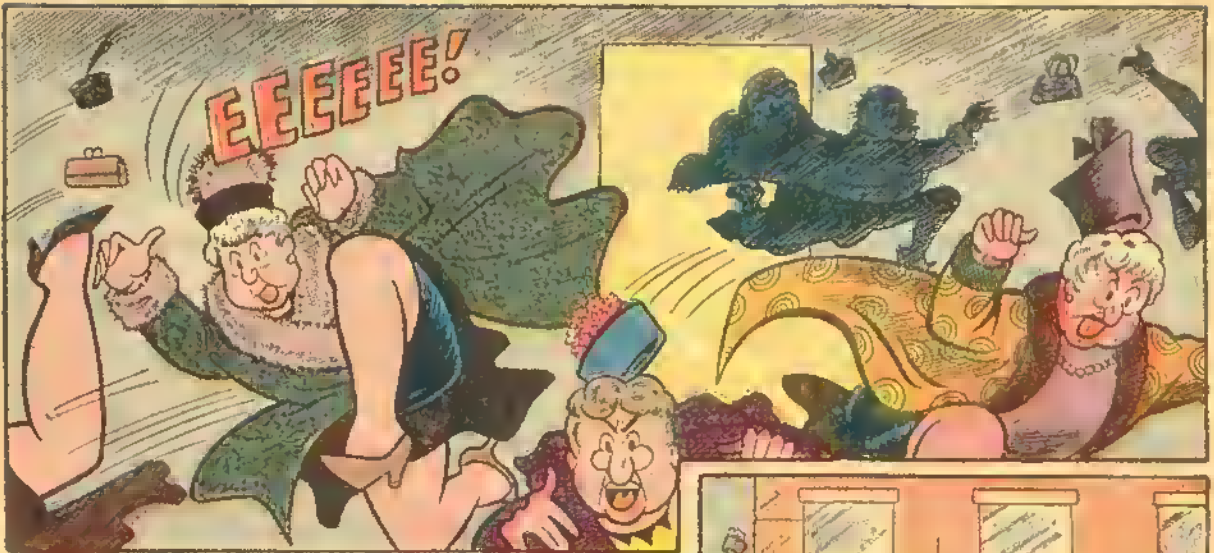
HMM! SMELLS A BIT MUSTY IN HERE WITH ALL THOSE SHADES DRAWN AND WINDOWS CLOSED!



QUITE A FITTING PLACE FOR PSYCHIC RESEARCH, I MUST SAY!

WAIT! I TURN ON THIS HALL LIGHT!





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Steve WOOD

For Steve Wood, the waterfront detective, Crime is *always* in season!



Night on the waterfront... and the oyster pirates are heading for their private docks to unload their stolen catches...

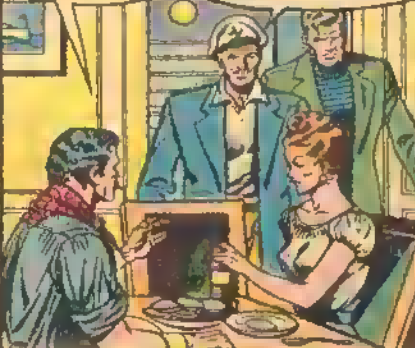
AKOY!
WHO'S
THERE?

IT'S CAPTAIN
CARTY, SLADES!
COME ABOARD
AT THE DOCK
AND SWAP YARNS!



LAPHIA AND I RAKED UP SO MANY OYSTERS THAT WE'RE EATING A FEW OURSELVES! COME IN... BRING BOTCHY THERE WITH YOU... AND HELP YOURSELVES!

THANKS,
CARTY! I GO
FOR SEAFOOD!
SERVE 'EM UP!

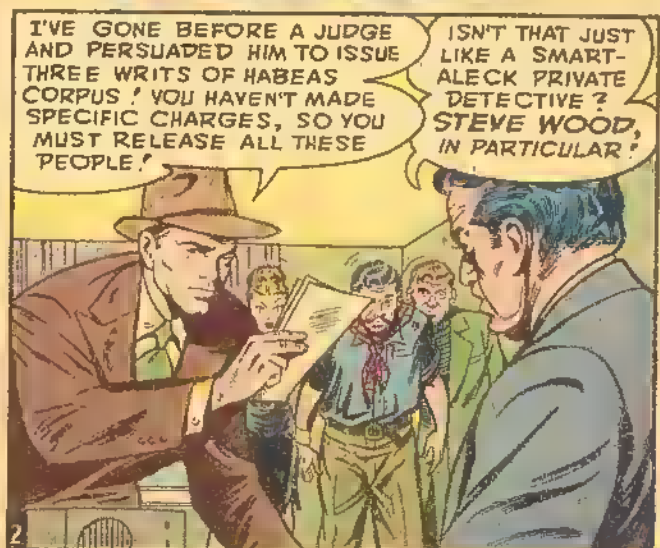
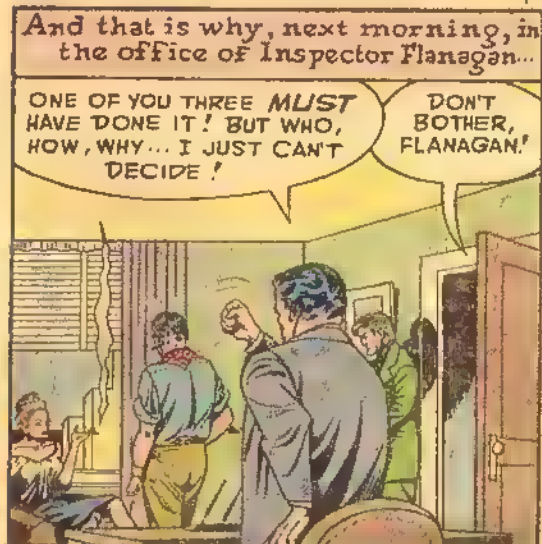
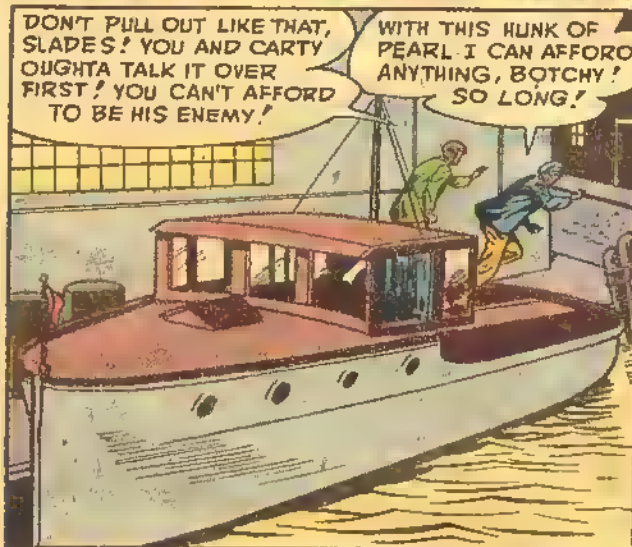
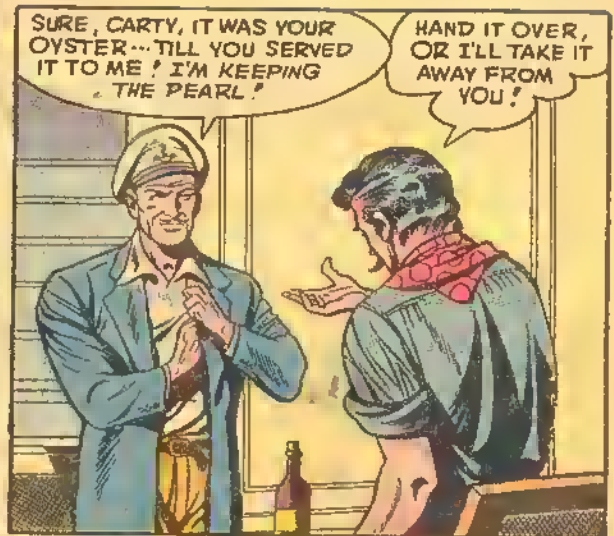
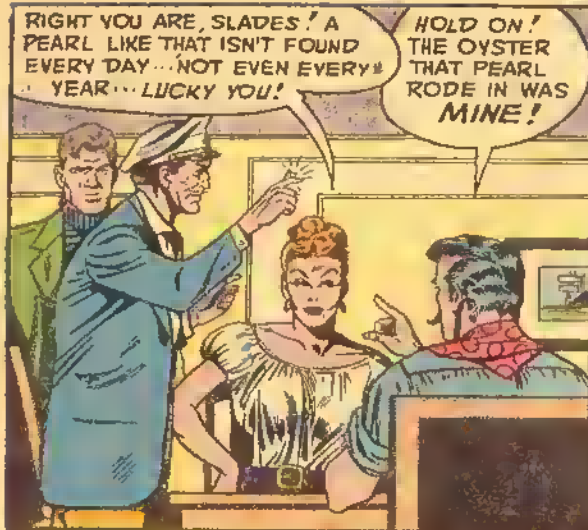


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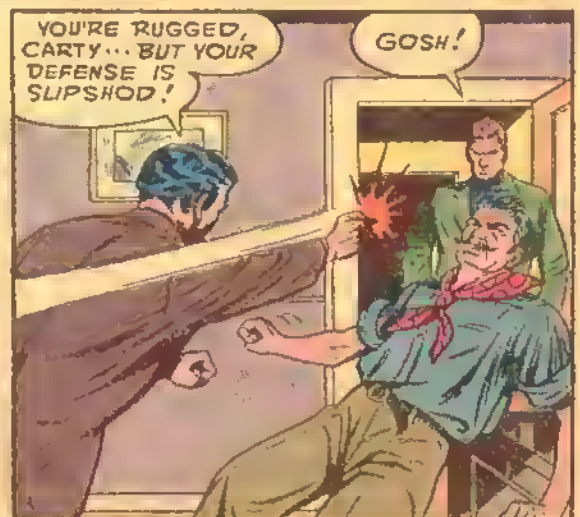
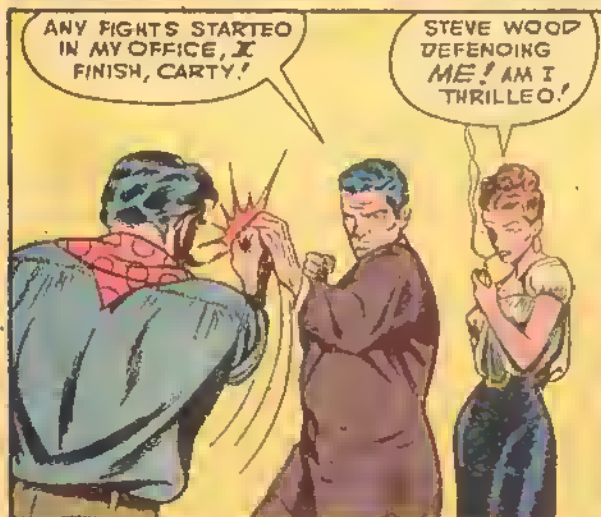
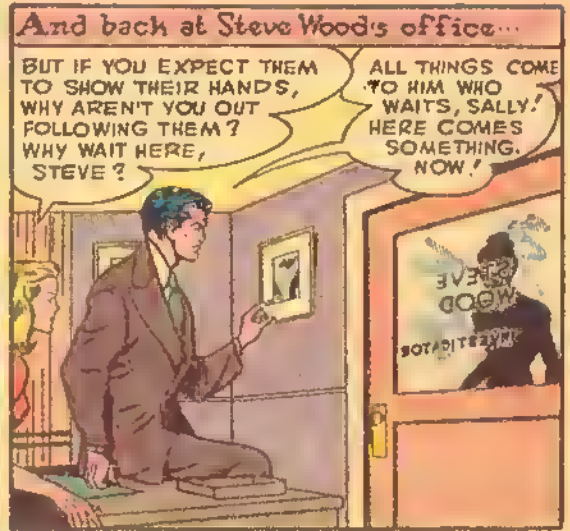
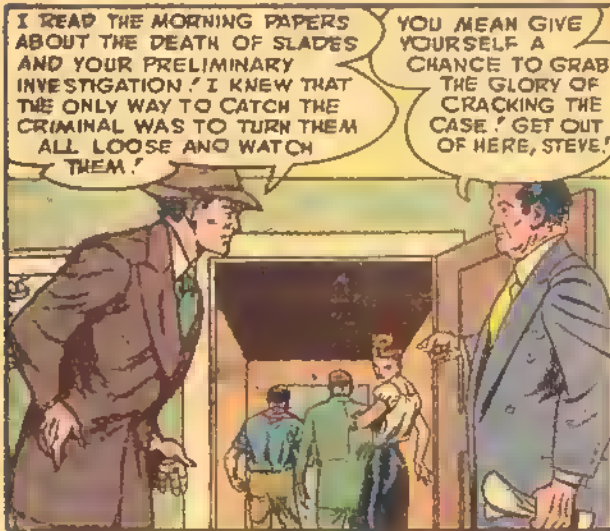
A PEARL,
SLADES! A
BIG PEARL...
PERFECT BLACK!
IT'S WORTH A
FORTUNE!



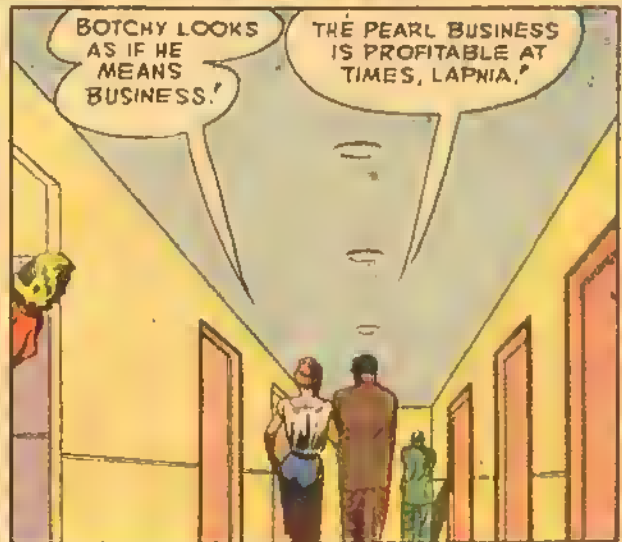
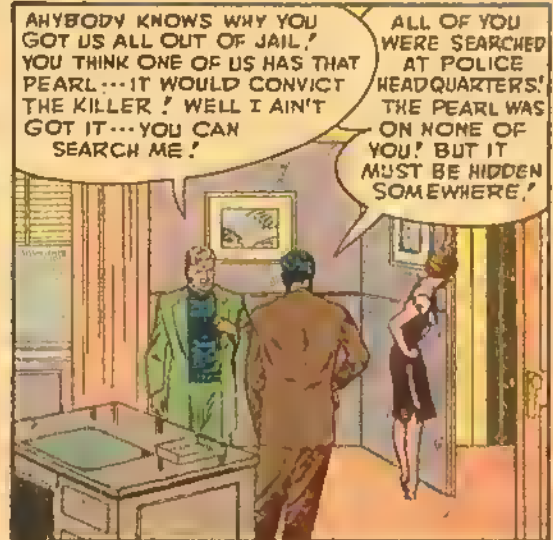
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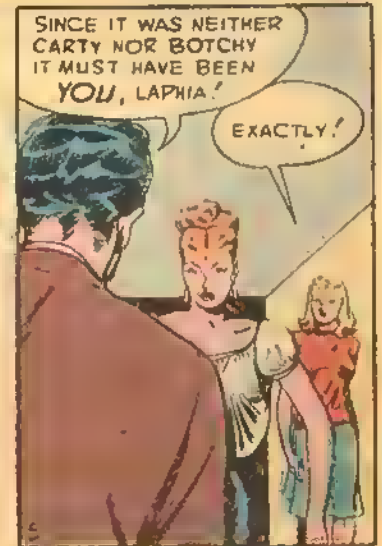
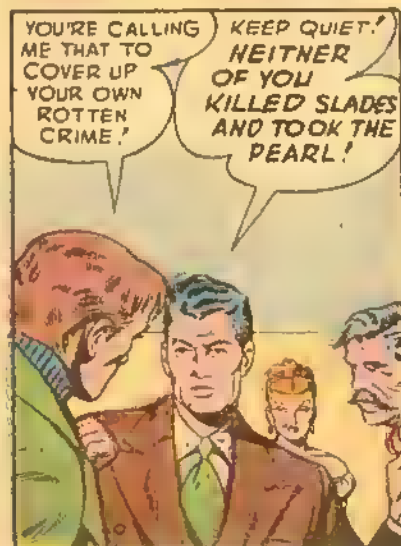
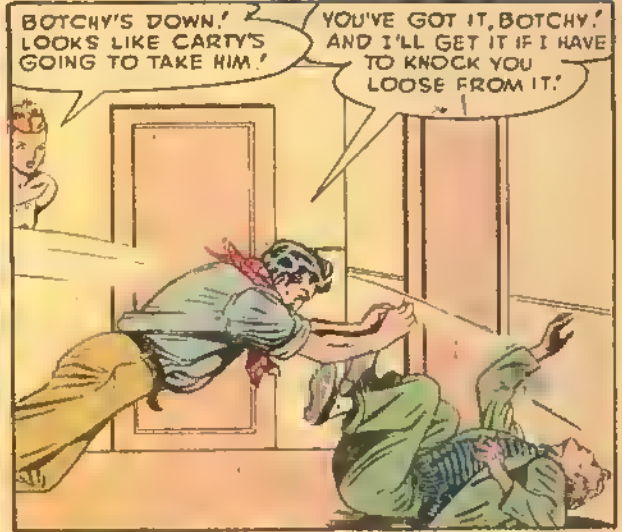
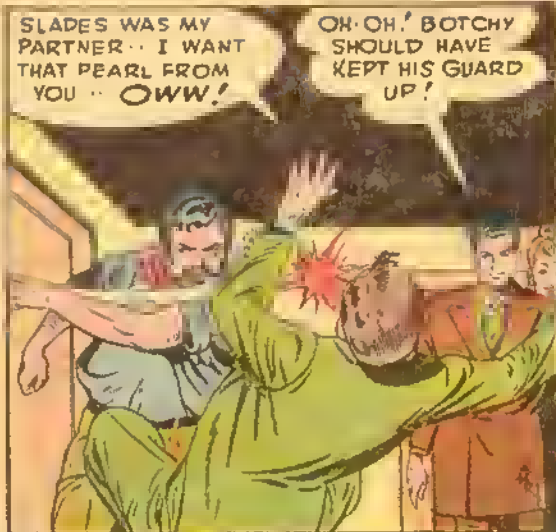
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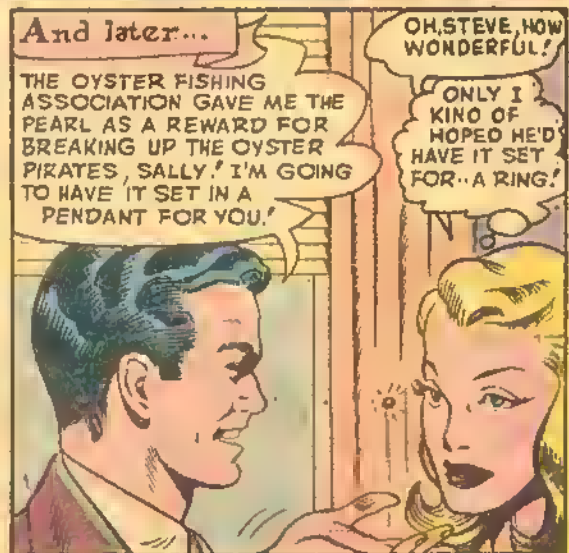
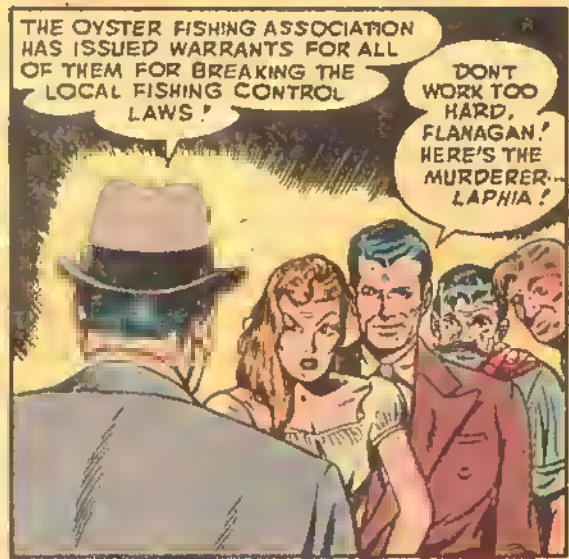
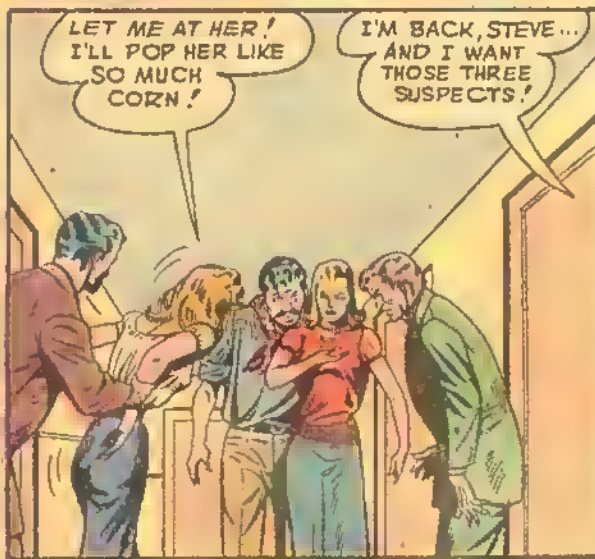
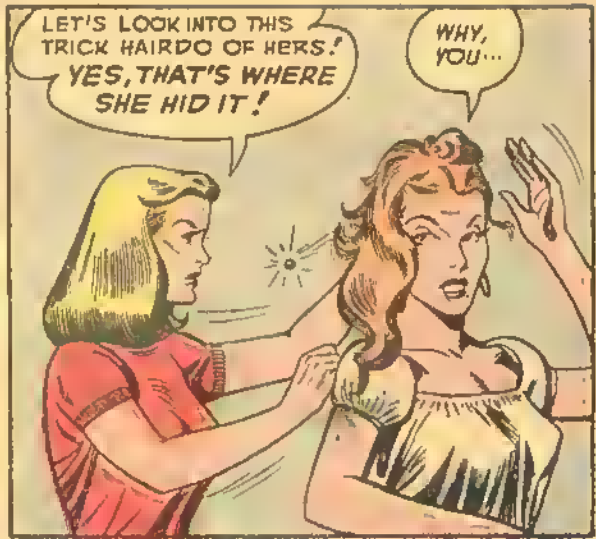
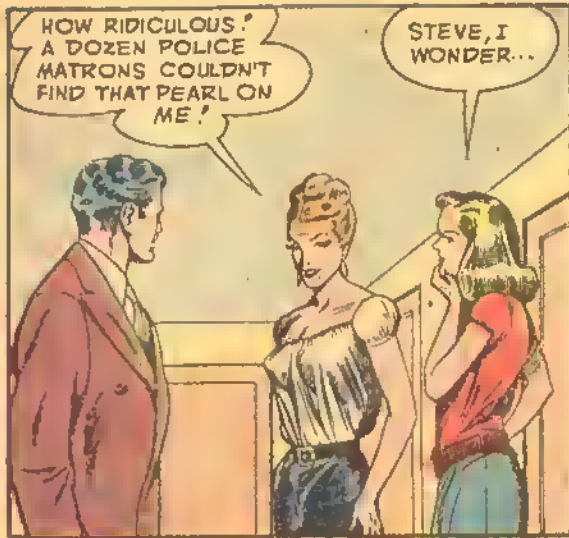


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The Barker's Biggest Moment

THE reporter sat on a camp stool pencil poised above his notepad.

"What I'd really like, Mr. Calahan," he said, "is an account of your most exciting experience in the circus."

Curie Calahan, the Barker for Colonel Lane's Mammoth Circus, smiled remissly. He knocked the ash from his cigar.

"Well," he said, "a barker has a lot of experiences, some of 'em exciting, I suppose—at least, to others; to me, they have just been part of the regular grind."

"I know," said the reporter, "but that's what I want—a story for those others. After all, Mr. Calahan, the 'others' constitute your audience. They're entitled to a reading thrill occasionally."

Curie nodded. "So I presume. Well, if you must have it, I guess my most exciting time happened when I was a youngster traveling with a Mississippi River showboat company."

"We had left Cincinnati," he went on, "during a rainstorm. The crowds had been gratifying during our three-day stay there, and Col. Lane was pretty happy about it. Our next stop was St. Louis."

"None of the people with the show now were with us then. The boat was more too large for the outfit we carried in those days. There was a snake charmer, a Miss Boseu, who owned the biggest python anyone has ever seen. That snake was forty-two feet long. He had a special box for transportation. We kept him sluggish during shows, and about every five weeks gave the cash customers a treat by feeding him crate after crate of live chickens."

"A storm came up when we were in mid-river. I never saw it blow so hard. The skipper had a time of it keeping the boat from crashing into the shore, but we managed to stay clear."

"The engineer was crowding the boilers keeping up steam enough to give us power against that wild wind. But suddenly one of the boiler heads let loose. Live steam shot out and scalded several stokers. They ran screaming for the companions and came racing up. A fire box next let loose and masses of burning embers filled the boiler room. In a moment, there was a great fire roaring in the holds."

"Well, the first thing you do when fire happens aboard a boat with animals, is to free the animals. That's what we did. Imagine, if

you can, seeing a half dozen huge elephants going over the side and splashing into the river. They swam for shore. Then two giraffes, and a lot of other harmless beasts.

"We didn't know what to do with the *wild* animals. The captain said we'd better let 'em go down, since they'd give the river towns a pretty bad time. But some of the keepers went berserk and turned every rat loose—lions, tigers, leopards, a hippo, rhino, several warthogs with tusks nine inches long."

"The python's box was on deck. I yethal to roll it over the side intact and let the snake drown, but that didn't happen. That snake was excited and he burst out of his box. He went over the side in a jiffy and began swimming for shore."

"By this time, the boilers were exploding and everybody was taking to the lifeboats. We pulled for shore amid screaming, roaring beasts on both sides, behind and in front of us. It just happened that most of the animals made for the same shore, and it was fortunate that no town was there."

"That was a good many years ago when the old river wasn't so built up. Trees grew thick along both banks. We knew that the animals would make for the woods and probably cause no trouble if we could get men to round them up, or shoot them."

"Some of the stokers were badly burned but we managed to get them to the hospital in a town five miles down-river. We haled up in the same place at the Planters Hotel. I requested the captain to the local police. The chief didn't seem to think it was any of his business. He merely said that he'd order his men to shoot any animals that entered the town."

"That's where he made a mistake. That night one of the tigers leaped down the main street, howling like a banshee. You can imagine what consternation it caused. The street cleared us if a plague had hit. People slammed doors, banged down windows, kept the lights off. That old Bengal tiger roamed all through the town during the night, roaring and coughing. Once he climbed up the side of a house and tore a mess of shingles off its roof. They tell me the people inside nearly died of fright. In the morning the police sneaked out armed with rifles and shotguns. But the tiger had gone."

"I sent a telegram to St. Louis asking for militia, which was promised. But in those days

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no one seemed to be in a particular hurry. The militia didn't arrive for two days. It's about those two days that this story really has to do.

"Some of the boys went to a pub next morning. After about two hours, a winter began yelling like he was caught in a bear trap. Then into the half-dark room came that great python! Can you see the picture? Remember, it's a pub. The boys are pretty hilarious. But when that huge serpent came rolling in, I can tell you pandemonium broke loose. They almost tore out the front wall getting in the street. None of them stopped until they had reached the wind that came down close to the town's edge. And there they were stopped by a sight that was almost as frightening as the python. Five big elephants came slouching out of the woods, and beside them grunted our old rhino, his big nose tusk raised.

"Man alive! I have never seen anything so funny. Of course those animals were tame—the elephants anyway, and there wouldn't have been much trouble if the men had stood their ground. They didn't. They yelled and turned and tore back toward town.

"Now it's a known fact that wild animals that are almost raised in cages have little fear of men, nor do they particularly wish to molest them. But just start running from a free animal and he's almost certain to trot after you. That score of men went whooping back toward town and behind them came the five elephants and the rhino. The elephants crashed through a half dozen small buildings as if they were matchwood, emptying chicken houses and letting eat the loose

"This might not have been so bad if the lions hadn't decided to put in an appearance. One of those lions was a mean old devil we never used in an act. He hated elephants. He came racing out of the woods, male for the tail elephant and jumped onto his back. When a lion hits like that, you can bet his claws are out. He ripped into that old pachyderm with

a blood-chilling roar. The elephant roared, trumpeting, trying to nussat the lion. The lion clung, trying to bite through the elephant's neck.

"This bloody battle was taking place right in the town's square. The elephant knocked over the statue to Robert E. Lee, plunged into the fountain pool, then barged head-first into the city hall. The front of the building caved in. The police were at their wits' end. They were pupping at the lions, the elephants, and themselves. I think two of them were badly shot that day. Their bullets didn't stop any of the animals.

"Our boys were shouting and yelling and trying to get some order into those trained animals' heads. But everything was too excited and noisy. But at last we got all the animals headed into the river. That is, the five elephants and the rhino. The lion was still ruling his elephant. And he stuck even when the big brute plunged into the water. They all swam out to an island a half mile off shore. The militia helped us trap them next day."

"What about the other animals—the lions and tigers?" asked the reporter.

"For several years," replied The Barker, "those cats roamed the woods thereabouts, and once in a while some hunter would bring one down. Those woods for miles around were taboo for a long time to anyone who wasn't an experienced hunter. But eventually they were all shot, as was the python."

The reporter grinned as he wrote swiftly.

"That's a honey of a yarn," he said. "My city editor will give me a bonus—maybe even a raise. But tell me, Mr. Calahan, what was your biggest thrill during that exciting time?"

The Barker thought a moment, then laughed.

"It was when I found a little garter snake in my hotel room the next day. Little chap wasn't more'n a foot long, but I leaped and yelled like a wild man. You see, I don't like snakes, no matter how small they are."

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QUICKSILVER



At the peak of a busy day, a terrible tragedy occurs...



The police can find no explanation of the disaster...



As news of the mystery spreads, panic overtakes the city....

AS PRESIDENT OF THE BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION, I DEMAND PROTECTION! I DON'T KNOW WHAT WE WANT TO BE PROTECTED FROM... BUT WE MUST HAVE ACTION!

GENTLEMEN... PLEASE! THE COMMISSIONER IS HAVING AN EMERGENCY CONFERENCE AT THIS MOMENT! HE'LL SPEAK TO YOU AS SOON AS IT'S OVER!

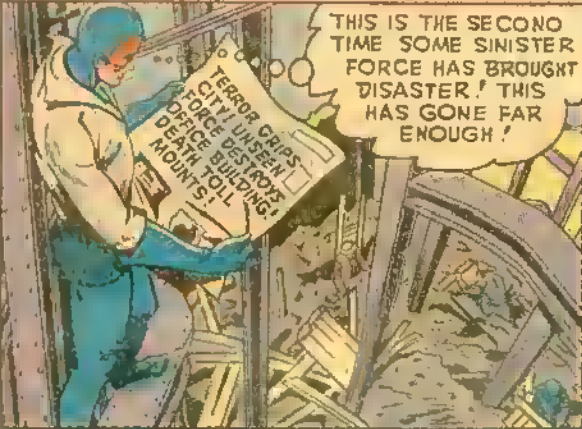


But even as the city authorities deliberate...

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!



Once again a mysterious power crushes a mighty building into ruins!



THIS IS THE SECOND TIME SOME SINISTER FORCE HAS BROUGHT DISASTER! THIS HAS GONE FAR ENOUGH!

I'M SAM SNIDER, THE DIAMOND BROKER! ALL I REMEMBER IS THAT THE OFFICE SAFE WAS LIFTED UP AND CRASHEO THROUGH THE WALL! AFTER THAT, THE WHOLE BUILDING SEEMED TO COME APART!

I CAN SEE MYSELF TURNING IN MY BADGE OVER THIS BUSINESS!



CHEER UP, CAPTAIN! I OVERHEARD MR. SNIDER... AND I THINK HE'S GIVEN US A CLUE!

QUICK, SILVER! EVEN YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO HELP US THIS TIME!



WHAT CLUE? I KNOW ONLY WHAT I'VE ALREADY TOLD YOU!

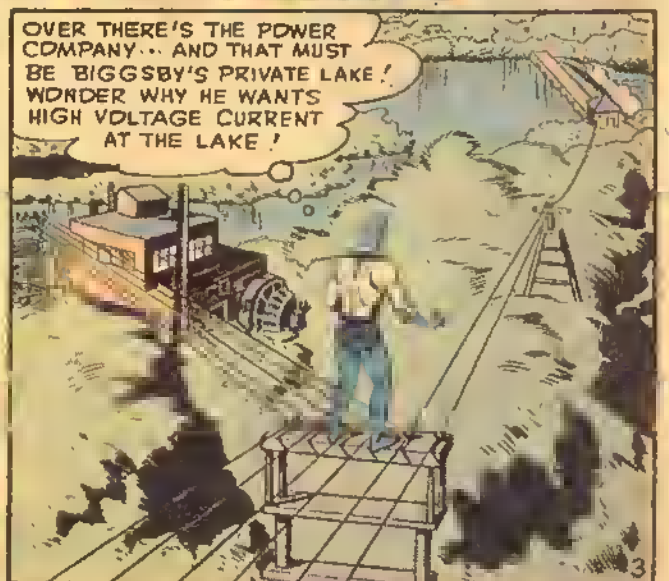
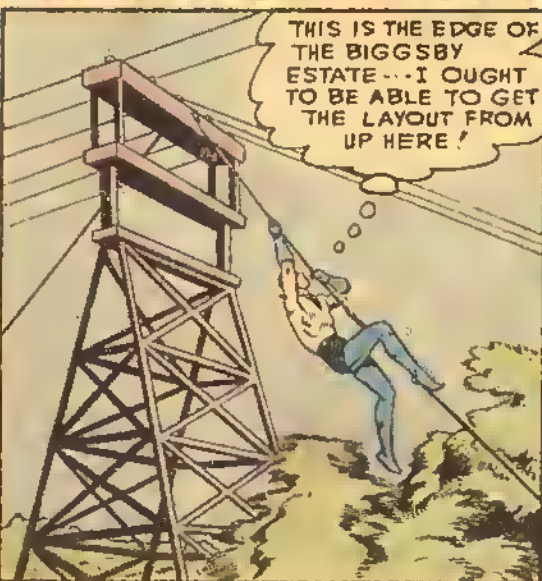
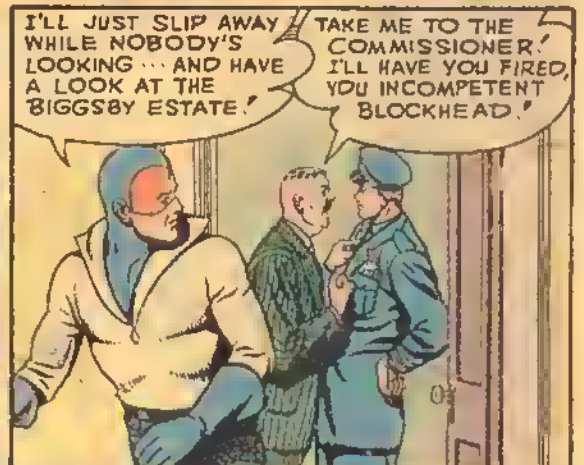
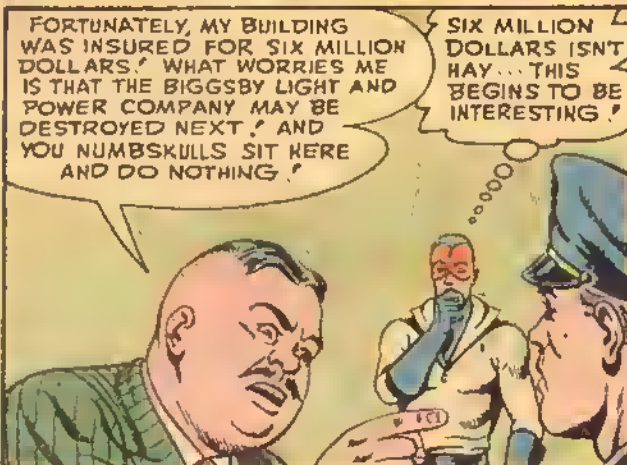
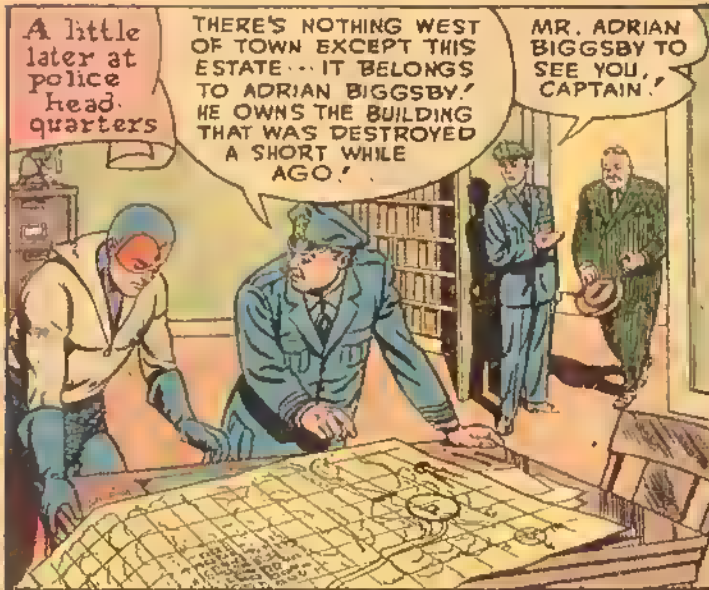
THAT'S JUST IT... YOU SAID YOUR OFFICE SAFE WAS LIFTED UP AND PULLED THROUGH THE WALL BY AN UNSEEN FORCE! WHICH WAY DID IT GO?

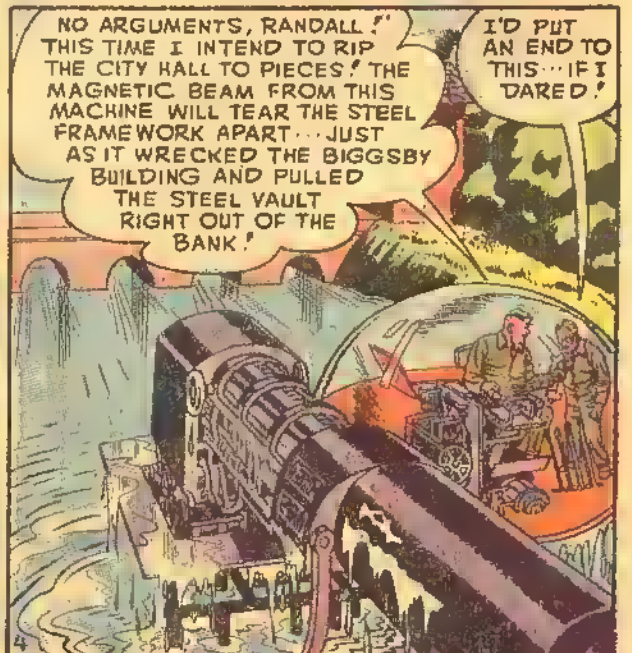
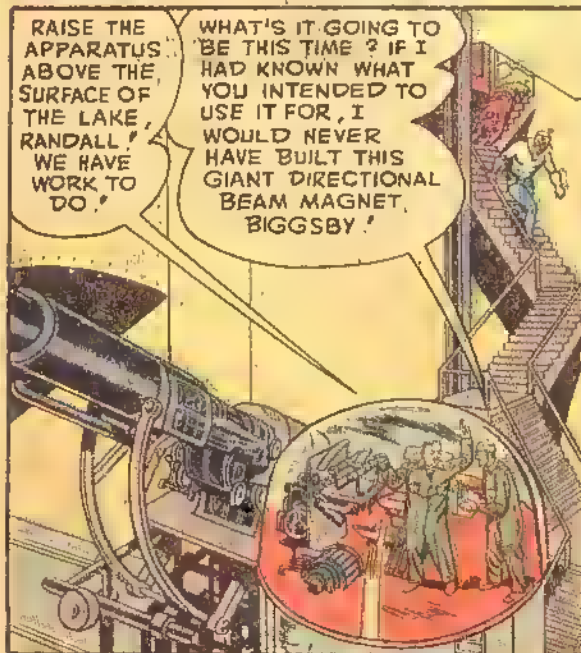
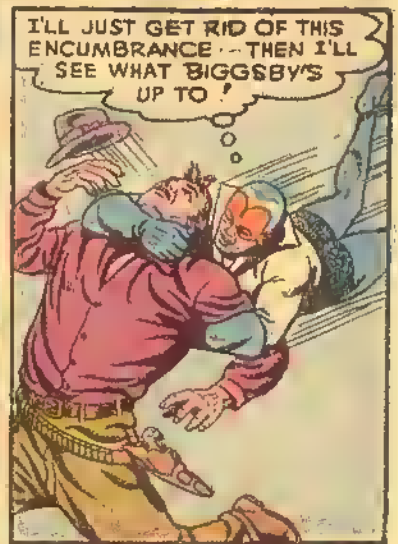
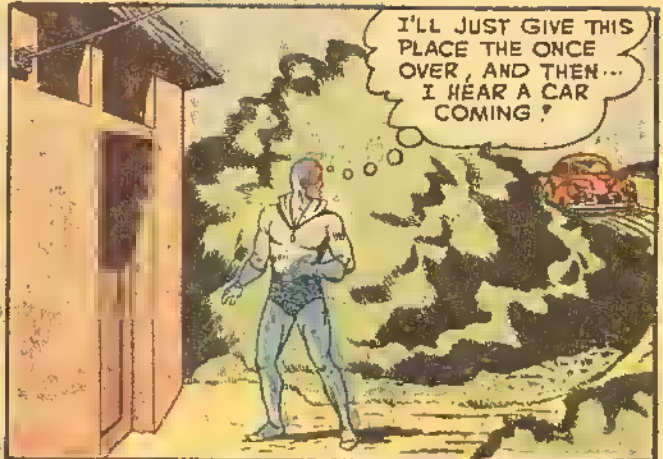
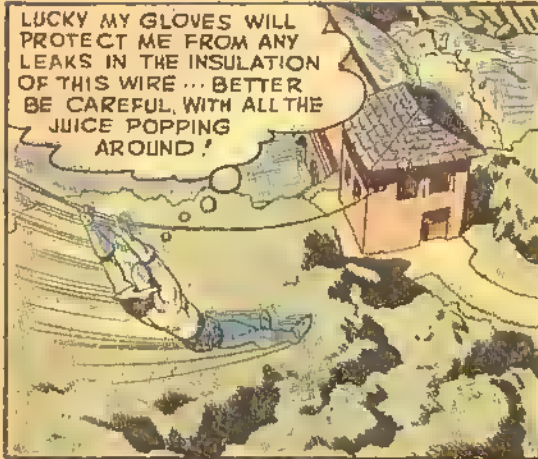


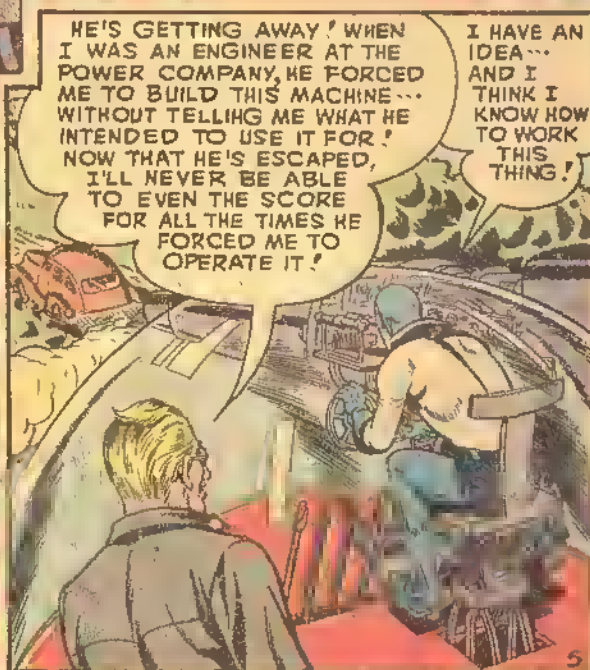
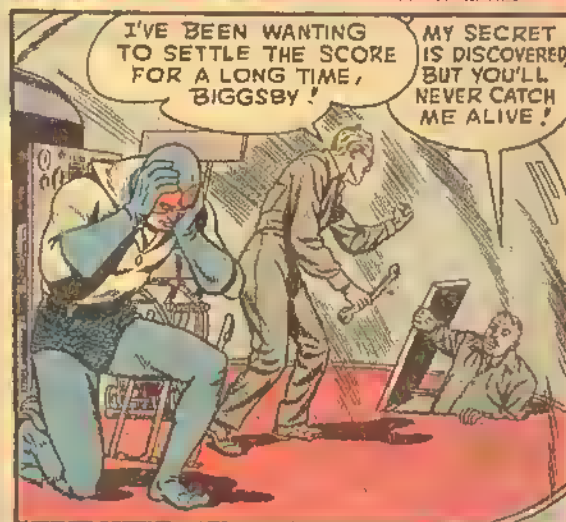
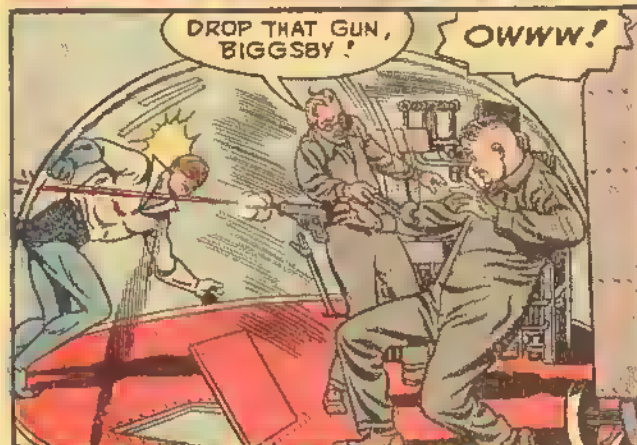
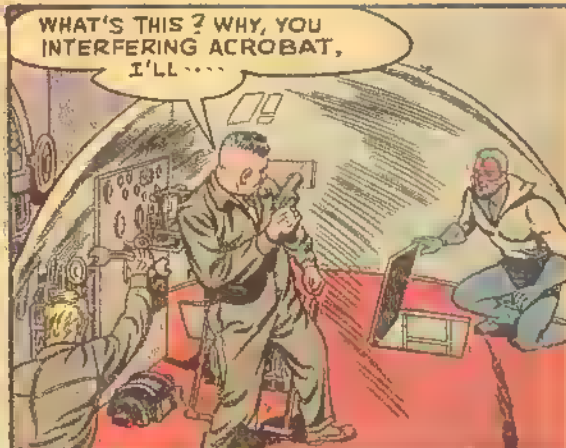
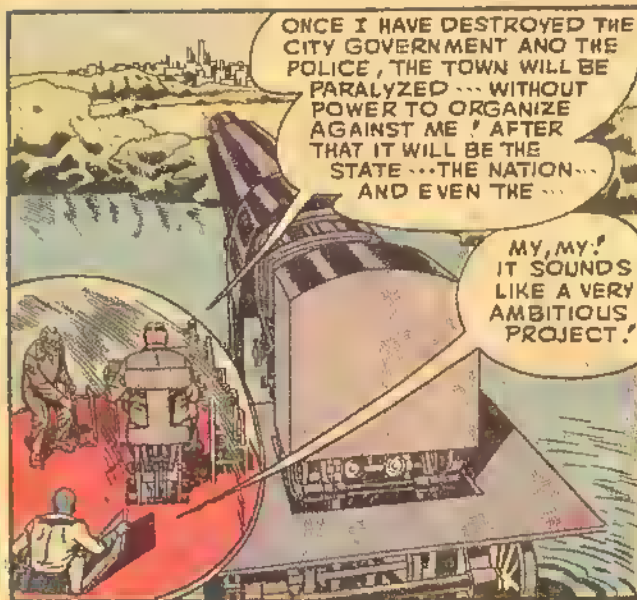
IT CRASHEO THROUGH THE WALL IN THAT DIRECTION!

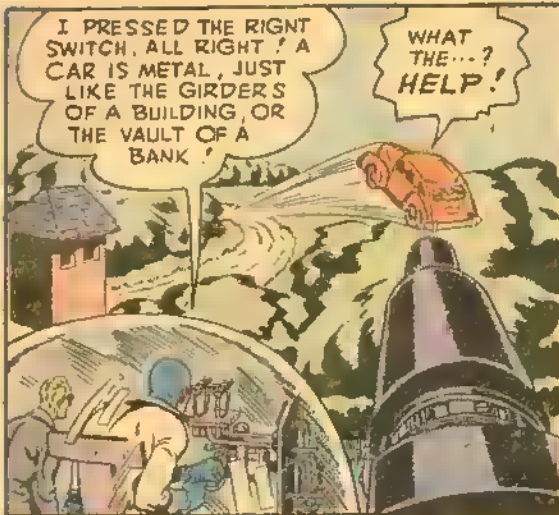
THAT'S WEST! THERE'S YOUR CLUE, CAPTAIN! LET'S GO BACK TO HEADQUARTERS AND LOOK AT A MAP OF THE CITY! MAYBE WE'LL FIND SOMETHING!





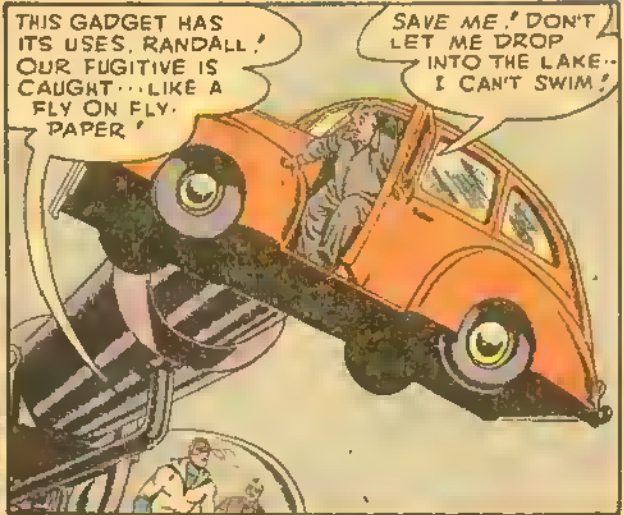






I PRESSED THE RIGHT SWITCH, ALL RIGHT! A CAR IS METAL, JUST LIKE THE GIRDERS OF A BUILDING, OR THE VAULT OF A BANK!

WHAT THE...? HELP!



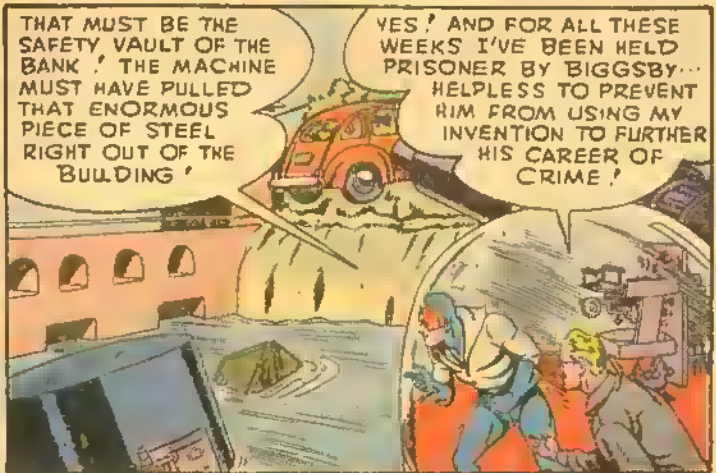
THIS GADGET HAS ITS USES, RANDALL! OUR FUGITIVE IS CAUGHT... LIKE A FLY ON FLY-PAPER!

SAVE ME! DON'T LET ME DROP INTO THE LAKE... I CAN'T SWIM!



LET'S SEE WHICH ONE OF THESE GADGETS WILL LOWER THE MACHINE... SO THAT WE CAN GET OUR HANDS ON BIGGSBY!

NO... NOT THAT ONE! THAT ONE OPENS THE DAM AND EMPTIES THE LAKE!



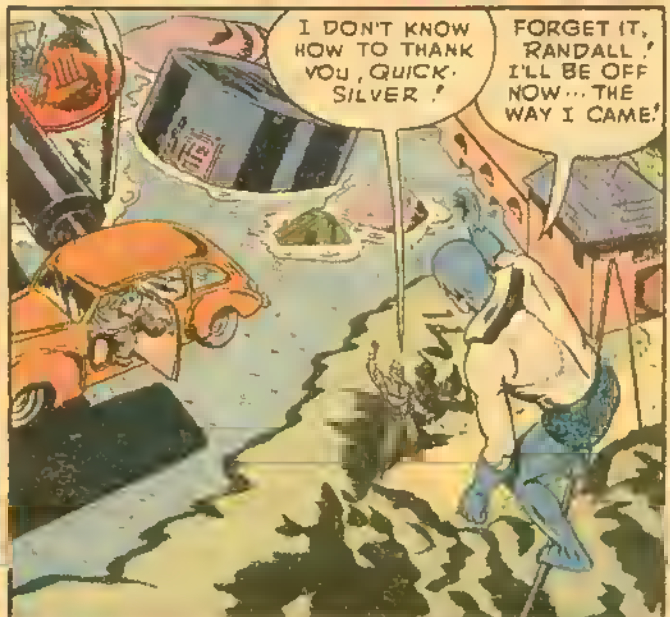
THAT MUST BE THE SAFETY VAULT OF THE BANK! THE MACHINE MUST HAVE PULLED THAT ENORMOUS PIECE OF STEEL RIGHT OUT OF THE BUILDING!

YES! AND FOR ALL THESE WEEKS I'VE BEEN HELD PRISONER BY BIGGSBY... HELPLESS TO PREVENT HIM FROM USING MY INVENTION TO FURTHER HIS CAREER OF CRIME!



YOUR MYSTERY IS SOLVED, CAPTAIN! WHEN YOU GET HERE, YOU'LL FIND THE CRIMINAL... AND THE MAN HE KEPT PRISONER TO OPERATE HIS INFERNAL MACHINE! HE'LL GIVE YOU ALL THE EVIDENCE YOU NEED!

WHAT? YOU SAY HE WAS TRAINING HIS MAGNETIC RAY ON THIS BUILDING? THE CITY OWES YOU A GREAT DEBT, QUICKSILVER!

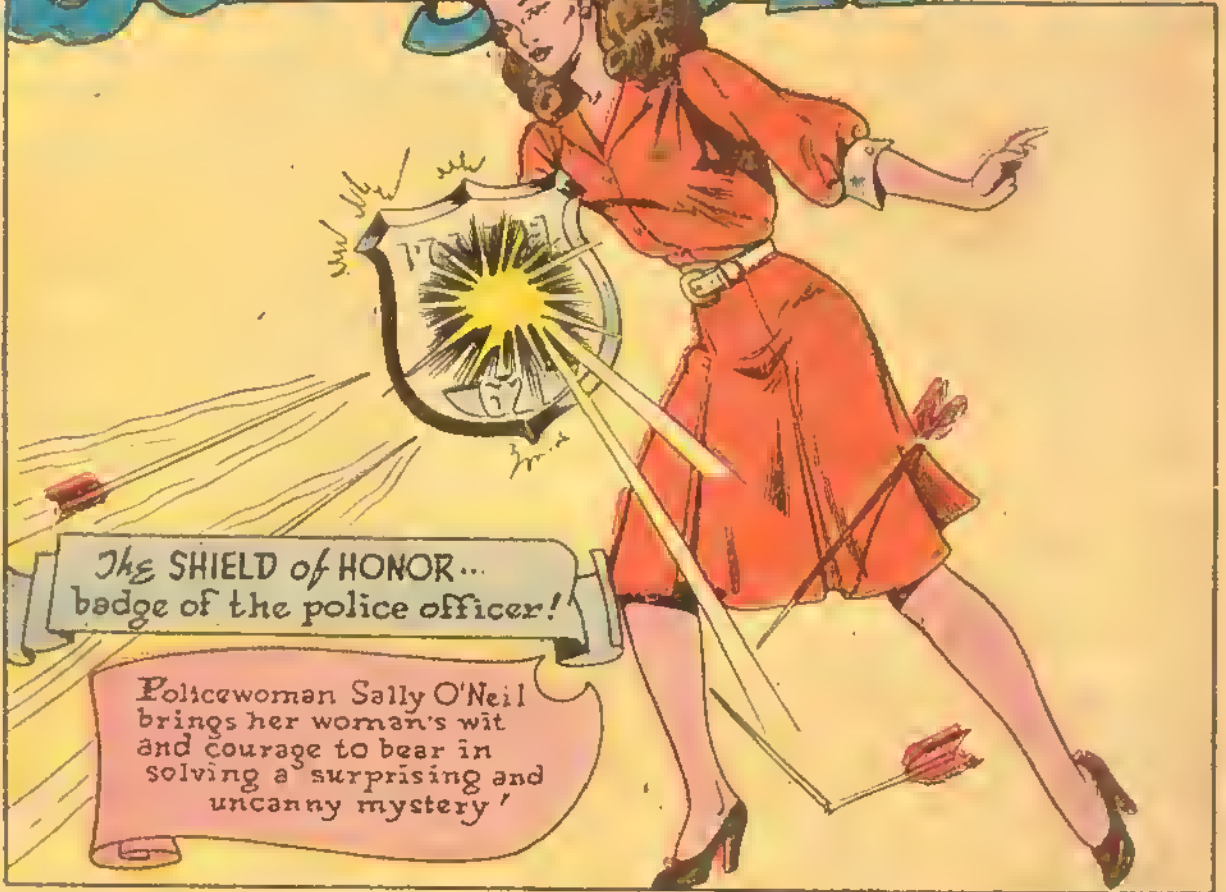


I DON'T KNOW HOW TO THANK YOU, QUICKSILVER!

FORGET IT, RANDALL! I'LL BE OFF NOW... THE WAY I CAME!

NATIONAL COMICS

Sally O'Neil



The SHIELD of HONOR...
badge of the police officer!

Policewoman Sally O'Neil
brings her woman's wit
and courage to bear in
solving a surprising and
uncanny mystery!

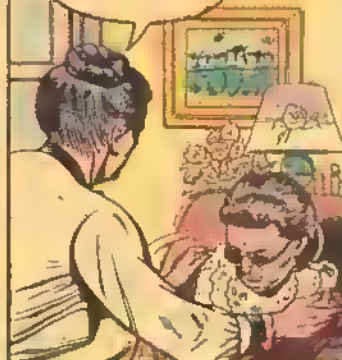
Near the edge of town is the
home of two eccentric sisters...
Sabetha and Wiliza Farlon...

I KNOW YOU'VE REFUSED TO SPEAK TO
ME FOR TWENTY YEARS, WILIZA... BUT
THIS LETTER CONCERNS BOTH OF US!
REMEMBER THE STOCK WE BOUGHT IN
RODRICK, LTD.? THE COMPANY
WENT BROKE! WELL...



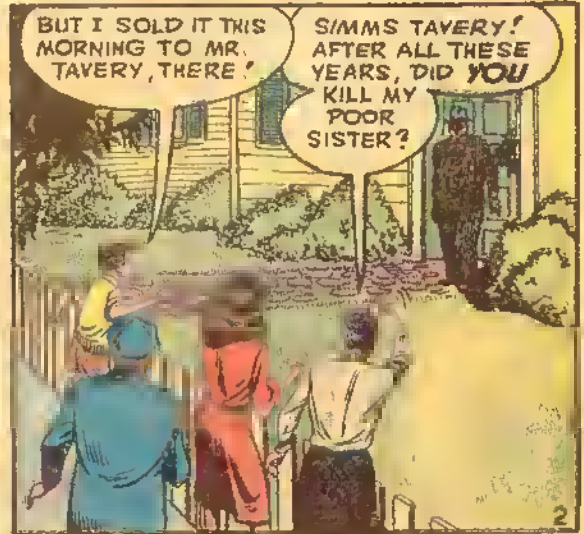
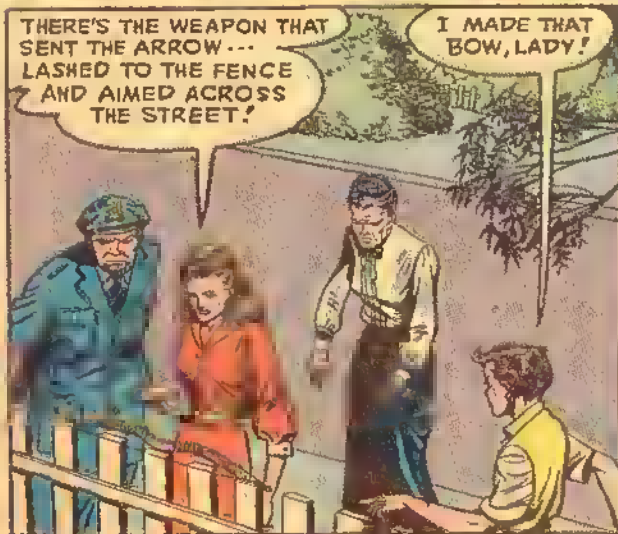
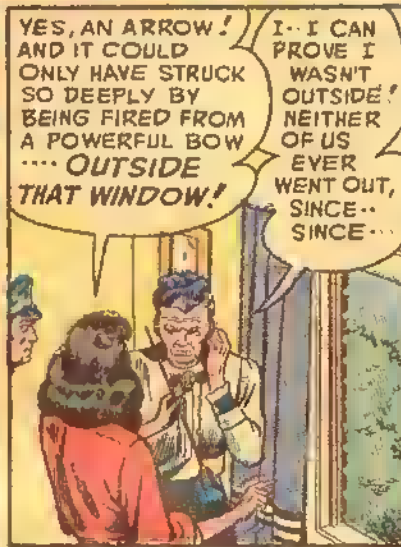
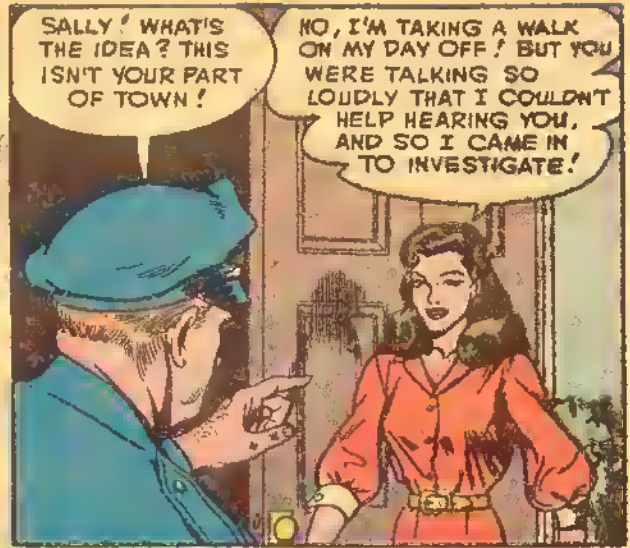
LISTEN! I'M TRYING TO
TELL YOU THAT THE
COMPANY'S BEEN
REORGANIZED... MAKING
MONEY! WE'RE RICH,
WILIZA! PAY ATTENTION...

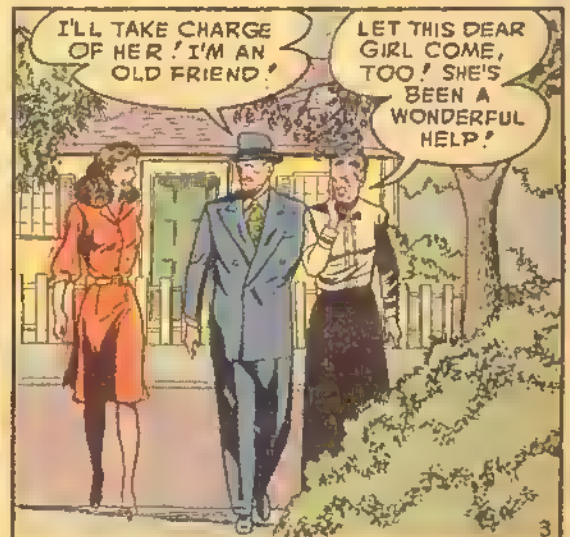
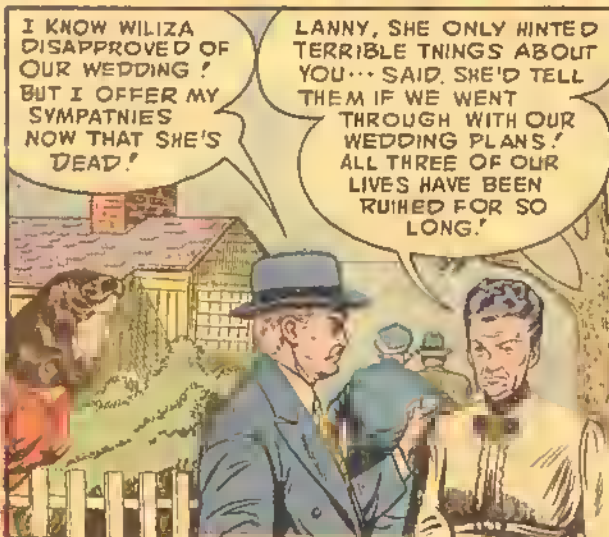
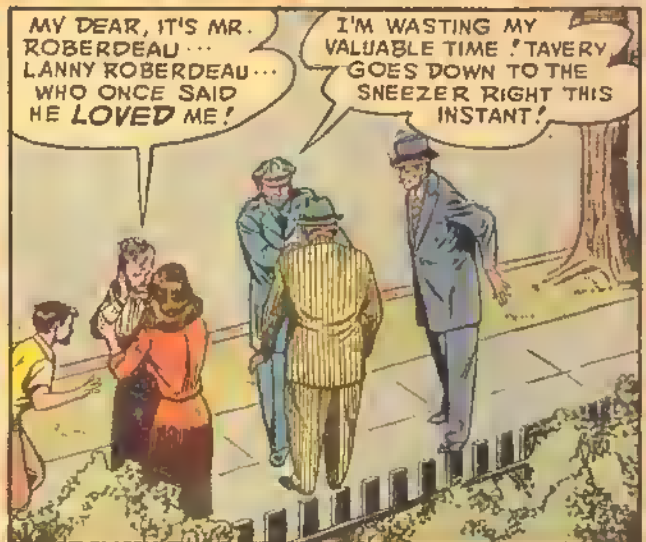
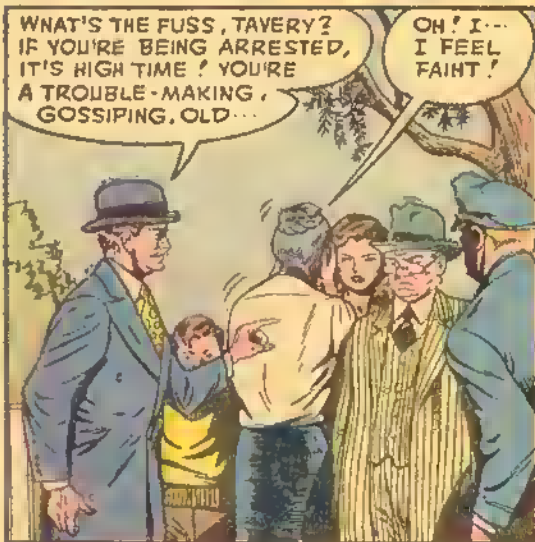
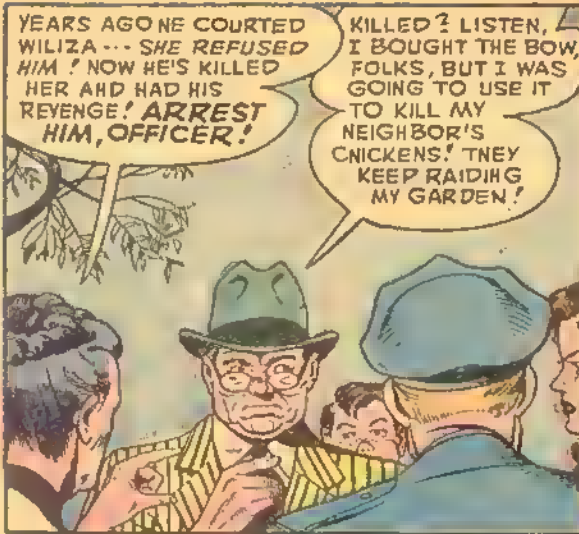
WILIZA!

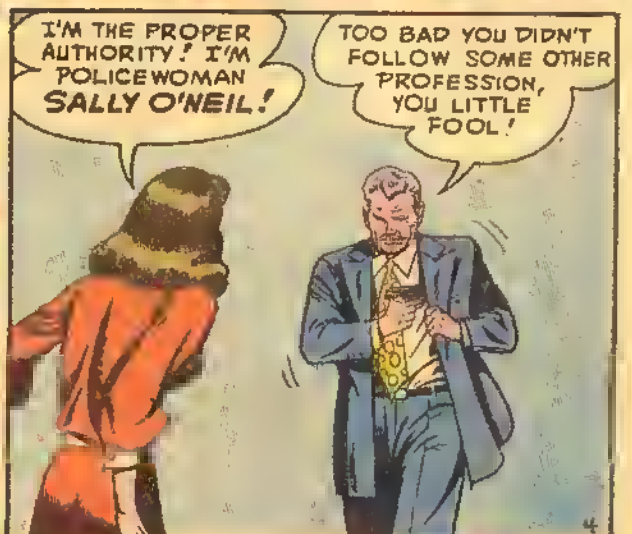
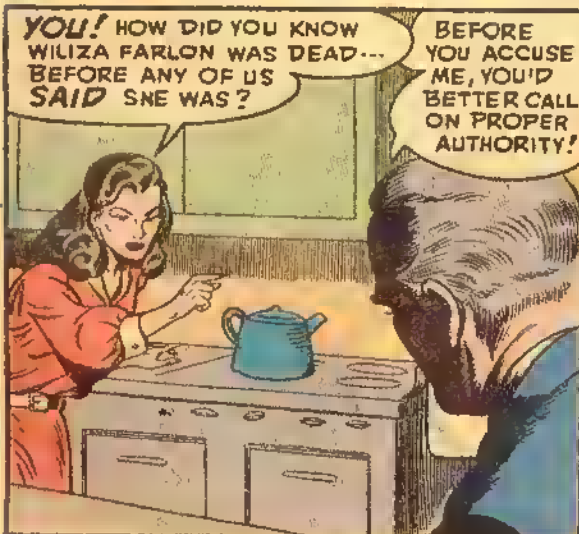
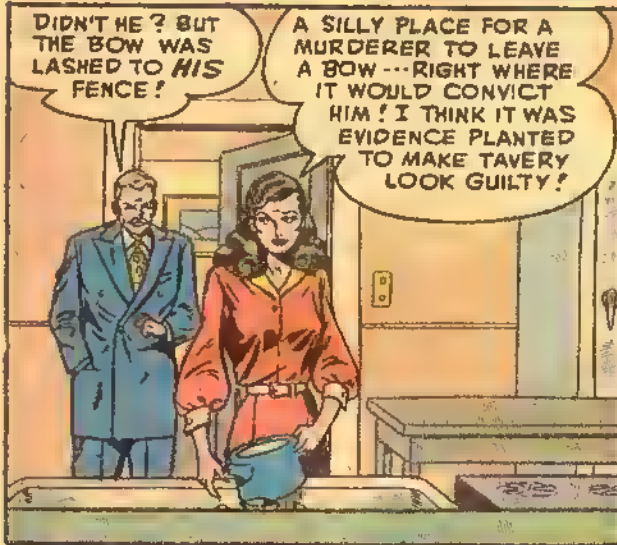
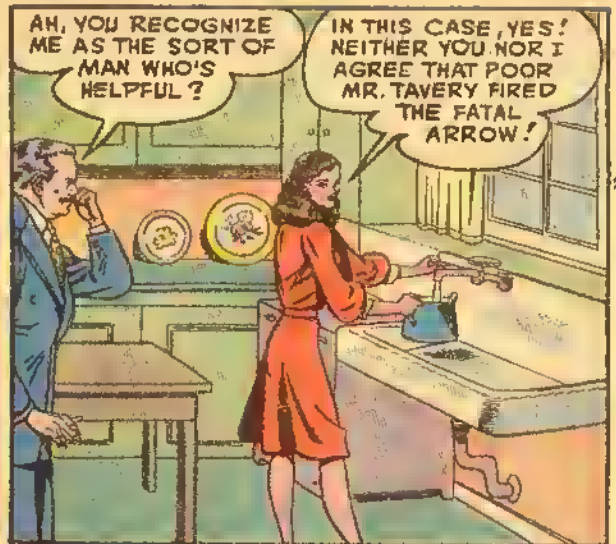


POLICE! POLICE!
COME AT ONCE! MY
SISTER WILIZA
HAS BEEN
KILLED!

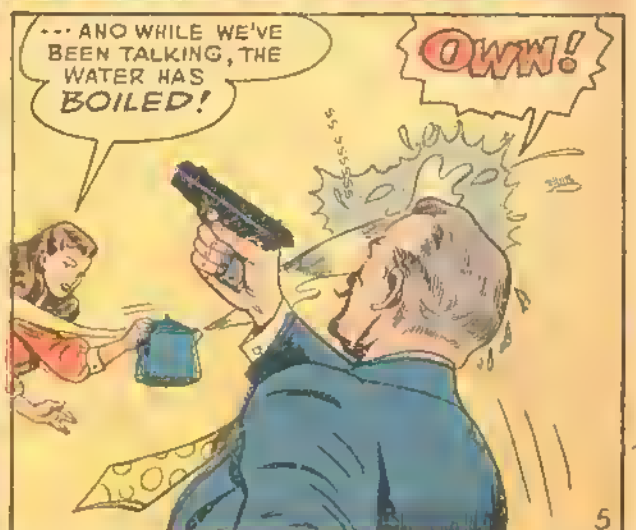
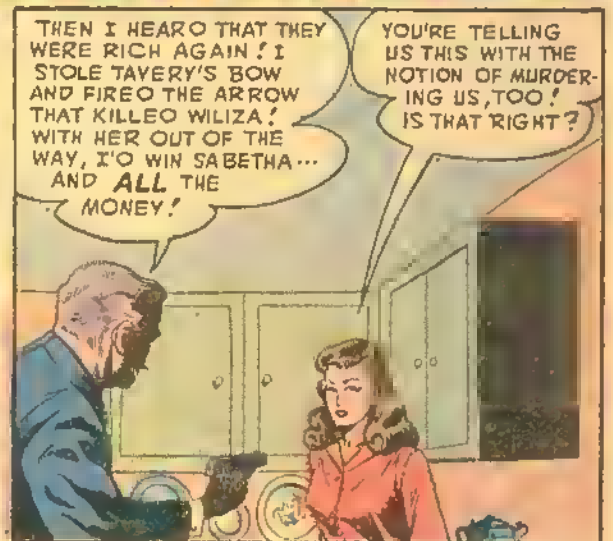
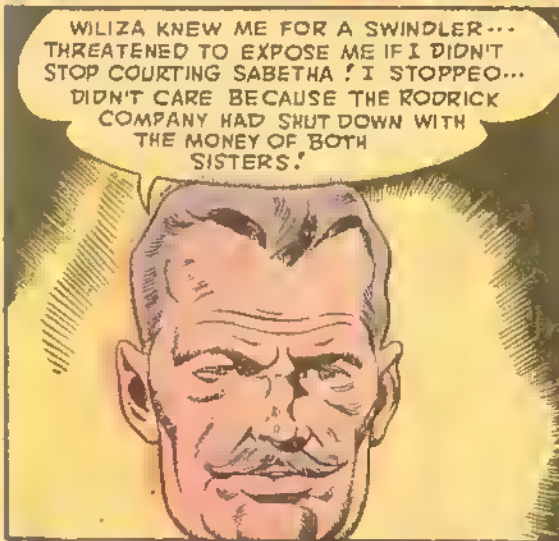
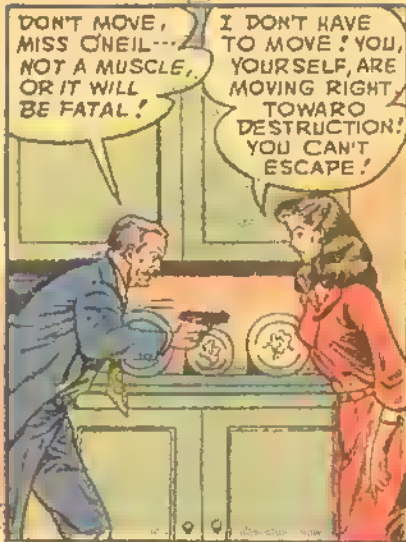


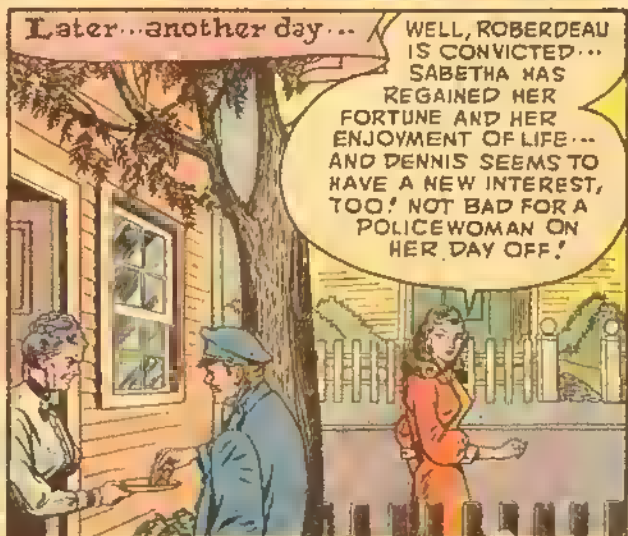
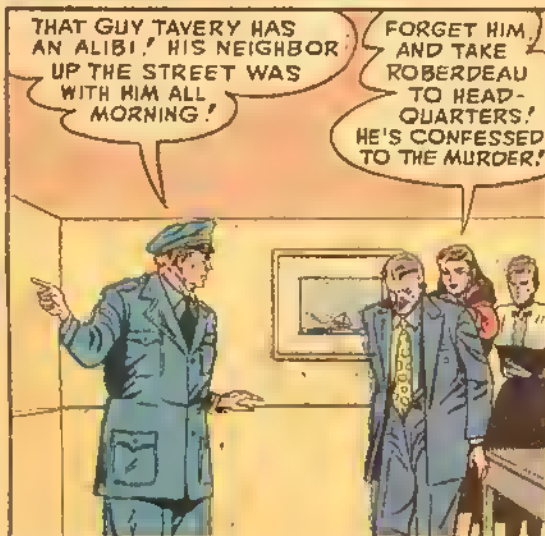
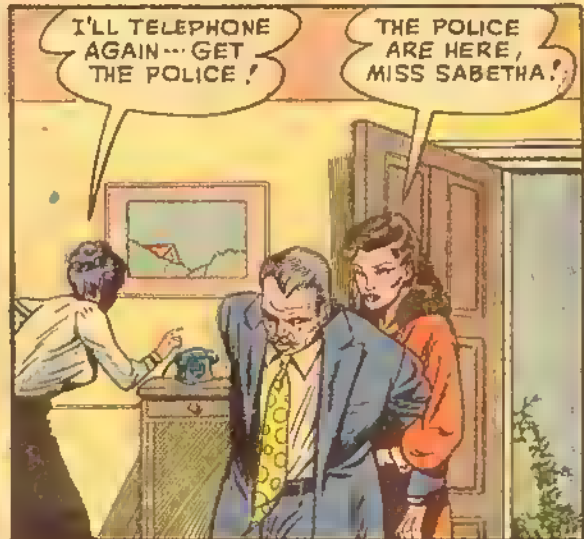






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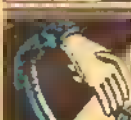
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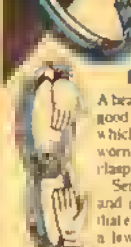


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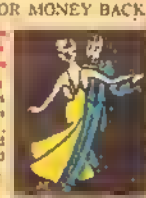
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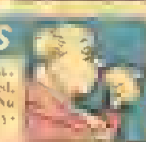
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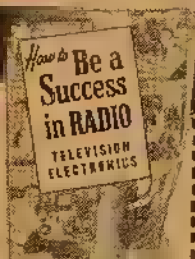
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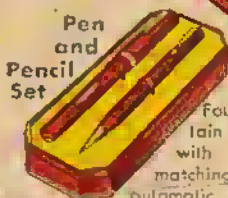
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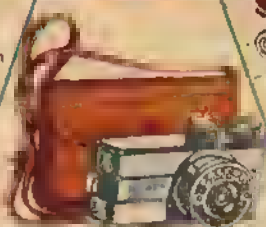
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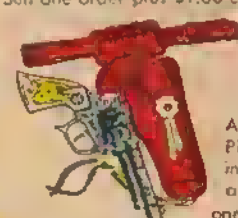
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